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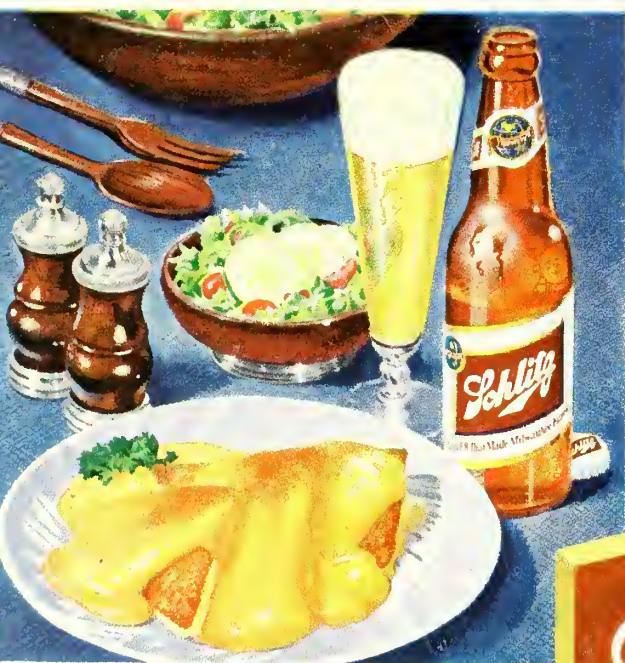


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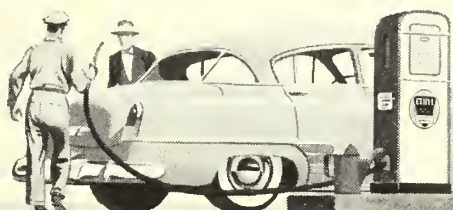
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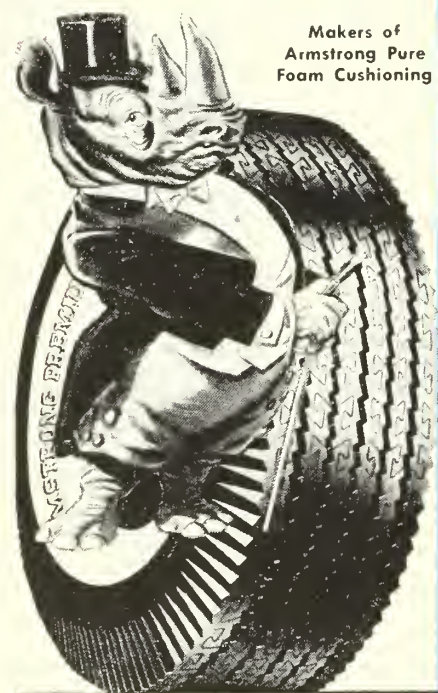
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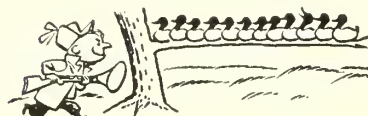
Sound Off!



NO JUSTICE

Sir: Frank Costello, Serge Rubinstein, Joe Adonis, Harry Bridges and other undesirables can defy our government to deport them and get away with it. Yet not long ago I read of a man whose name I forget who served our nation with honor in Korea, and is now told he will be deported—and no doubt will be. What in hell kind of justice is that? Enter this country in any way, commit crimes even against our nation and our government has one hell of a job trying to deport you. Nuts!

Frank C. Happe
Brooklyn



OUTDOOR TYPE LETTER

Sir: While hunting one day I came to a big tree overhanging a river. There were twelve ducks sitting on a limb and I had only two shells for my gun so I pulled up, split the limb on the tree and the ducks got their toes in the crack. I took another shot, cut the limb off and it fell in the river. I had to wade in to get my ducks.

George H. Frizzell
Channing, Mich.

▼ Looks as though George got more than the legal limit, but we hope no spoilsport game warden goes after him.

Editors

DEPLORES MEMO

Sir: The recent memorandum mailed to key people in The American Legion in support of the Administration's cuts in the Air Force budget, lending the support of the Legion to the reduction in funds required for the 143-wing program, is almost as surprising as if The American Legion came out in favor of a reduction in hospital beds in the V.A. appropriations. As a Past Commander of the Department of Arizona, I had thought that I knew something of the policies of The American Legion, and this action of our organization was all the more sur-

prising. As a member of the Legion I object to the action. It seems to me that one of the basic tenets of our organization is the support of adequate national defense. As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I am convinced that the policy behind the new budget is not right. I think that our military leaders should participate in determining the requirements for adequate national defense. In this case, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, as well as General Vandenberg, have vigorously objected to a reduction in the 143-wing program, in writing and otherwise.

Harold A. Patten, M.C.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

PERCENTAGES

Sir: Amid all the hysteria about the J. B. Matthews' article concerning subversive clergymen, a voice crying in the wilderness was that of Rt. Rev. James P. De Wolfe, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Long Island. In a newspaper story he was quoted with approval as saying that 97 percent of the clergymen he came in contact with were loyal. That makes a lot of sense. But it's too bad that some of the columnists and commentators who have been complaining about *The American Mercury* article don't know simple arithmetic or they'd have found out that Dr. Matthews was saying the same thing. He spoke of 7,000 clergymen. Since the records show that there are about 250,000 ordained clergymen in the U.S., the percentages come out about the same.

D. R. Jones
New York City

SEND 'EM TO TEXAS

Sir: I am a damyankee but I sure approve of your editorial *Stop Baiting Texas*. I wish we could send some of the commie-loving rats we have in the north to Texas and let the Texans work them over.

I. C. Grubbs
Los Angeles

Sir: I have just read your editorial *Stop Baiting Texas* in the July issue. During WW2 I spent considerable time at Brownsville and I found

Writers must give name and address. Name withheld if requested. So many letters are being received it is not possible to promise answers. Keep your letters short. Address: Sound Off, The American Legion Magazine, 580 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y.

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Harold Margerson
Cranston, R. I.

CORRECTION

Sir: Your June issue had an excellent article on GI insurance, and the advice was timely as well as informative. (*Do You Know Who Would Collect Your Insurance?* by Marjorie Rea.)

The statement was made, however, that a change of beneficiary must be indorsed on the contract. This is not true. No beneficiary designation of selection of optional settlement is printed on the NSLI policy, nor will the VA indorse the contract with any changes. The current practice of the VA is to make a photocopy of the designation, keep the original in the veteran's file, and send the insured the photocopy to file with his policy. *The policy itself should never be sent to the VA for any changes desired.*

Leo T. Tibensky, C.L.U., Chicago
Insurance Advisor
American Legion Dept. of Illinois

STUPID PEASANTS!

Sir: I think some of the articles in your product are putrid. Kindly add my name to those who consider McCarthy a disgrace to the Senate and his supporters as stupid peasants. Further, your comments on Charlie Chaplin boor me.

James L. Matherly, AEC
San Francisco

GREETINGS FROM NORWAY

Sir: As a member of Portland Post No. 1, Portland, Oregon, I receive *The American Legion Magazine* every month and I read every word in it. We ought to be glad to have an organ like the magazine to fight against the commies. I send you, my dear comrades, hearty greetings and wish you all good luck.

Knute Lund
Ovre Sirdal
Flekkefjord, Norway

WITH A SMALL C

Sir: I well remember the books recommended to high schools by Columbia's Teachers College professors in the early '30s, and their backing by teachers trained at that College. Criticism of these books and teachings by Legion Posts on Long Island brought forth hundreds of lines of print in newspapers, and certain magazines, quoting John Dewey, Rugg, Counts and other leaders of Teachers College of Columbia University. The Trustees of Columbia seemed to have no power over T. C. in this respect. The present Dean,

Russell, was then at its head. Writer James C. G. Coniff brings out the point that today the leaders of that influential college are not red or communist. I believe he is correct. Most Teachers College leaders were not pro-Communist, with the capital "C". BUT, they were, and many are, socialist. I feel that Legion should put its time and energy into opposing socialism as such—with the knowledge that such would include opposition to the Communism as planned in the U.S.S.R. Let us oppose communism, with the small "c".

Charles L. Hayward
Minneapolis

ACROSS THE STREET

Sir: An erroneous cut line appeared on page 13 of the June issue describing the plaque marking the historic Legion caucus held in St. Louis in 1919. It read, "A footnote to history—on a wall of Jefferson Hotel, the Convention Headquarters." It should have been, "A footnote to History—on a wall of Union Electric Building, directly across from the Jefferson Hotel, the Convention Headquarters."

David H. Fleischer
Executive Vice President
1953 National Convention Corporation
St. Louis

ANY SECONDRS?

Sir: If cities can go all out on commercial parades, such as the Mardi Gras in New Orleans and the Pageant of Roses in Pasadena, they should consider it imperative to celebrate Memorial Day, Armistice Day, the glorious Fourth, and a day in honor of our veterans, with similar festivities. Likewise, radio networks are woefully lax in presenting programs of patriotic songs, military bands, etc. Flag Day should be spot-lighted by multiple displays of flags in communities instead of being tendered only casual recognition. The flame of love of our country should be fanned more consistently.

J. E. Osborne
Springfield, Ill.



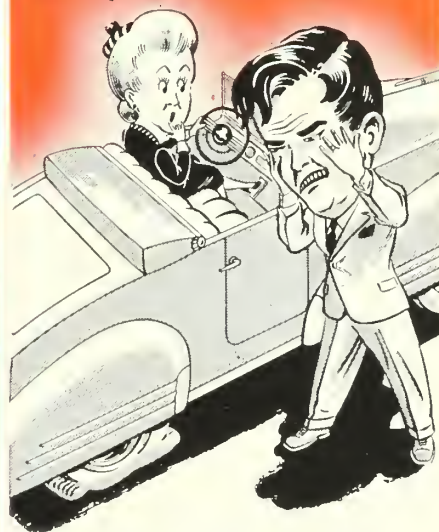
THE VET IS THE GOAT

Sir: Every time Congress wants to do some saving the veteran is the one who is tackled. And who is to blame for this? No one except the 15,000,000 veterans who, after serving their country, did not think enough of their fellow servicemen to join a veterans' organization. Were these fellows to join, our legislators would never think of picking on anything which benefits the veteran.

Louis E. Tepp
White Plains, N. Y.

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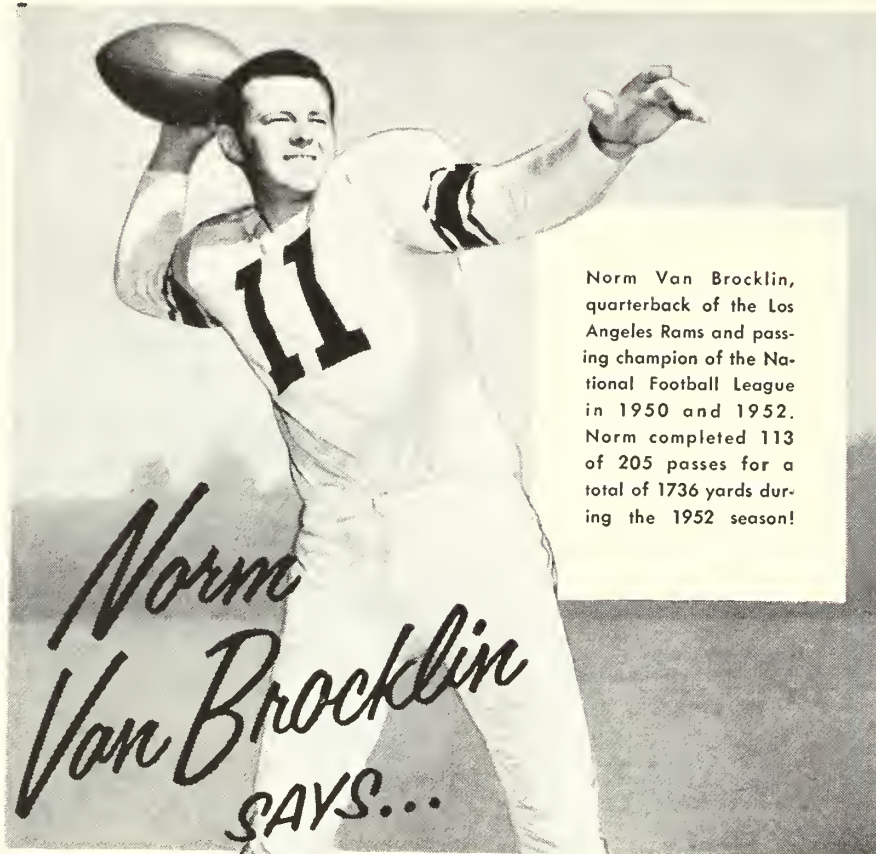
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Take that great global statesman Trygve Lie, who recently retired after a lengthy seven-year stretch as secretary general of the UN. Trygve during that period collected a total of \$385,000 in pay and perquisites. In addition, when he retired he was handed \$20,000 as "terminal leave pay." Now, to make sure that he can struggle along in his old age, Trygve's going to receive a lifetime pension of \$10,000 a year—tax free.

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THE ABC'S OF BOOK BURNING

SOME of the most sanctimonious outcries against "book burning" have been coming from strange sources indeed. Probably the most hysterical voice is that of the *New York Times*, which has become as pathologically preoccupied with "book burning" as it has been with Senator McCarthy.

However, even the *Times* doesn't try to prove that books are actually being burned. The term is a highly emotional figure of speech, covering the removal of books, written by communist and pro-communist authors, from tax-supported U.S. libraries abroad. The *Times* and a few other papers of the same stripe have been crying foul on this even since before President Eisenhower obliged with his own remarks on the subject.

Why should the *Times* and certain counterparts take up the cudgels in behalf of notorious peddlers of communist propaganda? Is it because, in many cases, those publications enthusiastically endorsed some of the same slanted books that are now being removed from official government libraries abroad? Or can it be because of an even cosier tie-up? The *Times* itself gives a clue in a July 1st news story about certain people up before Senator McCarthy's Subcommittee:

"Mr. Edwin Burgum was dismissed by New York University when he refused to tell a Senate Internal Security Subcommittee whether he was or ever had been a communist. He refused again today . . . Mr. Burgum testified that he had done 'from six to a dozen' reviews about five years ago for *The New York Times Book Review*."

We might add that this isn't the first such incident. It makes one wonder about

all this stuff we're being force-fed about "book burners" and "McCarthyism." Somebody's ox is most assuredly being gored.

LOVE THOSE COMMIES!

ONE of the sillier editorials written on the subject of "book burning" propounds the theory that because this country is strong enough to stand up against any ideas, books by reds should be allowed to stay on shelves of U.S. overseas libraries.

It's a plausible argument to anyone who is ignorant of the workings of the communists, and the same kind of illogic can be used to excuse a lot of red activities. Why worry about communists in the theater? Why worry about communists on newspapers and magazines? Why worry about communists in the schools and churches? So long as there are just a handful of these people, what harm can they do?

The answer is that there are two things that are as necessary to a commie as food and drink. One is money, and the other is prestige. They wax strong on them, and without them they are ineffective. Now, how does this relate to "book burning"? Well, every time our government buys a book by a communist author, it puts a half-dollar or more into that red paw, by way of royalty. When you consider that books for our overseas libraries were ordered by the hundreds, it means that the subversive authors got a nice piece of change from us taxpayers. It's the kind of break most authors would like to get, but don't. Somehow the communies got on board *that* gravy train too.

The other element is at least as important. By putting into our overseas libraries books by communies we built them up in the minds of everyone using those libraries. So, if a character like Howard Fast wanted to make a statement in behalf of still another red cause, Europeans and Asians listened to him respectfully because the U.S. Government had helped make him a big shot.

How dumb can we get in building up and subsidizing these Frankenstein monsters?

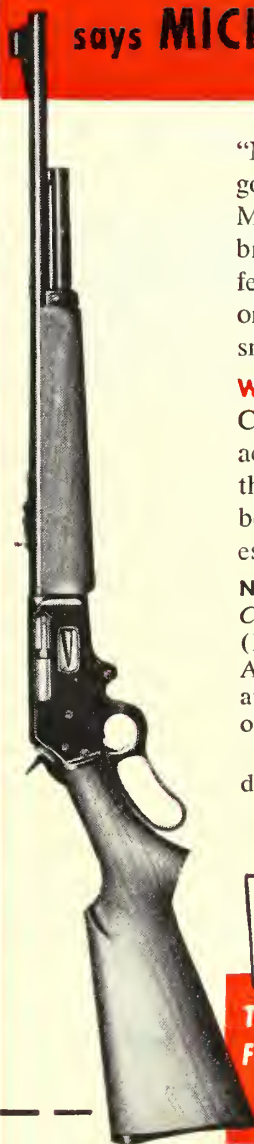
SURPRISE

IN our July issue we made a prediction to the effect that by midsummer the propaganda pressure would be on to force the Red Chinese into the United Nations. We urged our readers to watch where this pressure originated and how it would be piped into the minds of our people.

The prediction came true, but we were actually surprised at the source. It was our hunch that it would come from Malenkov or Mao abroad, and some of our high-placed communist mouthpieces at home. It never occurred to us that the big push would start from the British Government, with the leaders of Her Majesty's Government carrying the ball in behalf of the reds. It just goes to show that when you come in contact with the likes of Aneurin Bevan, the stuff is bound to rub off on you.

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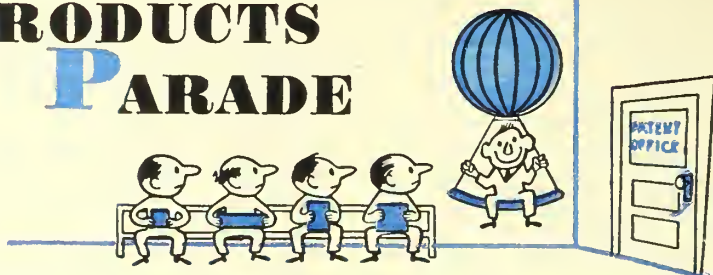
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SOMETHING NEW IN FILES

A revolutionary new file, one which looks like an ordinary file but which has a cutting surface that feeds from a coated abrasive roll, is being introduced by Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., St. Paul, Minn., and the Monarch Machine Shop, Inc., Madison, Wisc. Called the Red Flash abrasive file, it is designed for deburring and other filing and finishing operations in the metalworking field. Featuring an 11-inch stroke, the file holds a roll of more than six feet of abrasive cloth which provides a fresh surface for peak cutting efficiency. A choice of abrasive grits is available. The price of the file in one-inch width is \$2.95, and in a 1½-inch width it sells for \$3.78 complete with roll.

MPG SLIDE RULE

An inexpensive slide rule which tells at a glance how much mileage your car is delivering is being offered by MRMCO, 800 S. Ada Street, Chicago 7. Costing only 25¢, it is small enough to be clipped onto the sun visor so it can be used whenever you fill your gas tank. It works by moving the side out to that part of a scale which shows how far you've traveled. By a glance at another set of figures you know at once how many miles per gallon you've been getting.

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HOW NOT TO MISS 'EM

On page 18 of this issue you will find an article telling all, or almost all, about rifle scopes. Since that article was written we received an announcement concerning a new product of Chilford Arms Mfg., 24 California St., San Francisco—a 4-power telescopic gunsight, called the Boone Scope. Unlike a conventional rifle scope, this type is only a few inches in length and requires only a single mount. Mounts, incidentally, are available for more than 80 popular guns including nine shotguns. Designed on the same principle as the earlier 2¼-power Boone Scope, the new model has a field of view of 28 feet at 100 yards and an eye relief of 2½ inches. The price is \$48.00.



HOW TO MAKE A RUG

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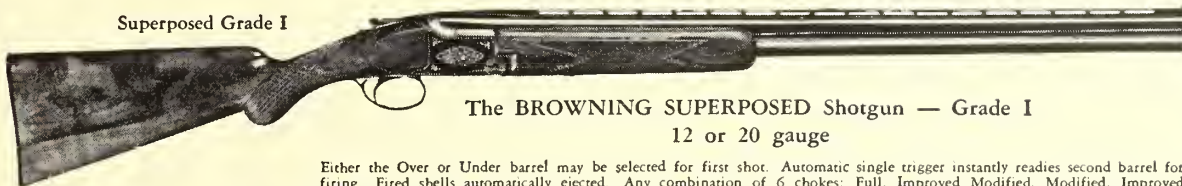
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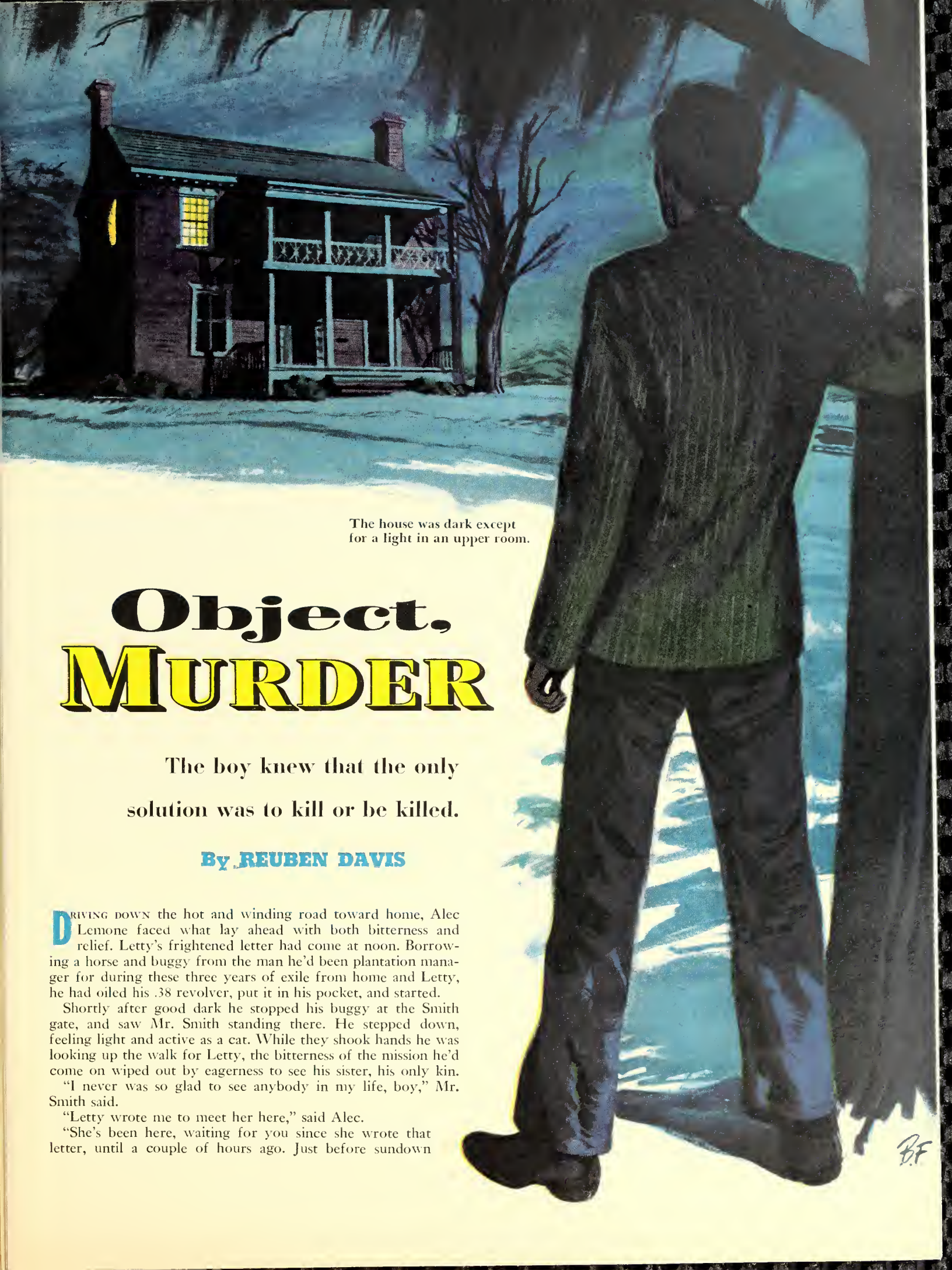
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The house was dark except
for a light in an upper room.

Object, **MURDER**

The boy knew that the only
solution was to kill or be killed.

By **REUBEN DAVIS**

DRIVING down the hot and winding road toward home, Alec Lemone faced what lay ahead with both bitterness and relief. Letty's frightened letter had come at noon. Borrowing a horse and buggy from the man he'd been plantation manager for during these three years of exile from home and Letty, he had oiled his .38 revolver, put it in his pocket, and started.

Shortly after good dark he stopped his buggy at the Smith gate, and saw Mr. Smith standing there. He stepped down, feeling light and active as a cat. While they shook hands he was looking up the walk for Letty, the bitterness of the mission he'd come on wiped out by eagerness to see his sister, his only kin.

"I never was so glad to see anybody in my life, boy," Mr. Smith said.

"Letty wrote me to meet her here," said Alec.

"She's been here, waiting for you since she wrote that letter, until a couple of hours ago. Just before sundown

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The quirt caught him on the hip and again on his upper arm before he could move.

ILLUSTRATED BY BILL FLEMING

(continued)

Object, **MURDER**

she up and went back home. . . . She knew I'd wait for you."

A weakness struck Alec, and a pulse beat hard in the side of his neck. The shock passed, and he turned back to the buggy, but Mr. Smith's hand on his arm stopped him. "It's bad business going there after dark giving Gawsner the drop on you. Stay here till morning, and I'll ride over with you."

"No, thank you, sir. Letty's expecting me. But I would be mighty glad of anything you can tell me about what the situation is exactly."

"Bad," Mr. Smith said. "Too bad to have to fall on the shoulders of a boy, not legally a man yet."

"Letty's all I've got," Alec said, "and I'm ready. Been ready for over three years."

"I know. There's no way around it. When you left home, I figured you were just a hot-headed boy, resenting Letty's marrying Mr. Gawsner and letting him take over the plantation. You and Letty by yourselves had done such a fine job of working it after your folks got killed. I thought you were just too fiery, and time would heal things. I know better now. When Letty came to us a few days ago she was so pitiful and scared and mad it made my blood boil. Gawsner had threatened to kill her if she refused to sign your name to a deed."

Alec's hand on the fence twisted a picket so hard it broke loose from the railing with a sharp snap.

"Take it easy, son. Letty's in no danger. I did some inquiring around. It's you Gawsner's after. He owes whiskey

and gambling debts, and they're pressing him so hard he's promised to sell part of the Lemone place and pay up. He's even said he'll see to it that you don't live to reach twenty-one and claim your half of the property. He knew if he scared Letty bad enough, she'd send for you, and you'd come quick and rough. That would give him his chance to get rid of you, fix it so he won't need your name on any deed. After that he can handle Letty to suit himself."

"Letty's ready now for me to stop him," Alec said. A doubt swept him. "You don't reckon she went back there to make up with him? She hasn't changed her mind?"

Mr. Smith shook his head. "I know a good woman will stick to a mean man till hell freezes over; but in this case, I don't think it was that. Mr. Gawsner went too far when he tried to make Letty do anything against your interests, son. She figured you'd get her letter today. It's my belief she got scared you'd be so fiery mad you might go straight to settle with Gawsner without stopping by here to see her. It's my belief she went home to be on the spot and make sure you didn't get ambushed."

Alec stepped in the buggy and gathered up the reins.

"Remember to be within the law when you act, boy. The Gawsners are politically powerful, and even if this one is a black sheep and not worthy of the Gawsner name—well, when it comes to a tight place, blood is thicker than water. And remember I'm here if you need me."

"Thanks," Alec said and started down the last mile of the

road home. A strange, unearthly clearness was in his brain. It was a clearness he'd felt once before, when, a boy of seventeen, he had first seen naked hate on a man's face, and known that his sister Letty was married to a dangerous man, and had nobody but him, a boy, to look out for her.

That summer day—the last time he had seen his home or Letty—he had happened down in the field and come across Mr. Gawsner, in charge of the plantation since Letty married him a few months back, letting the plow hands he was watching plow so close to the young cotton that they were breaking the roots. Impulsively Alec had called his attention to it, only to have Mr. Gawsner jump down off his horse raging mad. "Shut up your mouth," he'd said. "And go tell your smart sister she needn't be sending you to spy on me. I'm running this place now."

Alec's brain had almost burst with shock and fear and pity for Letty. Mr. Gawsner's quirt had caught him on his hip and again on his upper arm and shoulder before he could move. He had left home that same day; because Letty said it had to be that way, that marriages were made in heaven, that Alec was just a boy, and things would work out. They had worked out to this—that maybe the next few minutes would mean the end of either him or Mr. Gawsner. The full horror of it struck him for the first time.

This road, the cotton fields on either side, the big old thorn trees along the fence row with their long limbs clear in the starlight—everything his eye fell on was familiar to him from childhood and should be awakening pleasant recognition in him. But nothing did. He passed the trees of their own woods lot, saw the familiar bulk of the barn; all the longed-for sights of home he had dreamed about at night, and grieved for in the daytime, were around him, but still no sense of homecoming stirred in him.

Beyond the shade trees in the yard, the dark bulk of the house, big chimney at either end, stood out clear against the night sky. Only the windows of one upstairs room showed light. No air stirred in the hot night; in the yard the big shade trees were motionless. Reining off the road toward the hitching rail, he saw two saddle horses and buggy tied there. At least four visitors were around the place somewhere. A man moved out of the shadows toward him, and Alec, a hand on his revolver butt, jumped to the ground. The man took hold of the bridle. It was the hostler, but nobody Alec had ever seen before. "Put him up and feed him," he said, and went through the gate.

He was climbing the high steps when Letty came out of the dark hall. She didn't speak, just reached up and caught him around the neck and squeezed him so tight that it hurt. He'd forgotten how tiny his sister was—four years older than he. The top of her head came just under his chin. He held her close, and for an instant this seemed like home. But she released him and stepped back, saying in a high, unnatural voice, "Why, Alec, I'm so pleasantly surprised to see you."

Her words, plainly meant for other ears than his own, made him glance quickly up and down the gallery, and into the darkness of the hall. He saw nobody, but heard men talking somewhere.

"How have you been getting along? Do you want some supper?" she said, still in that tight, forced tone.

Before he could answer, a chair was bumped against the floor upstairs, and he heard Mr. Gawsner's voice. Letty's hand caught his arm. "I never know," she whispered. "He might have slipped downstairs. They're playing cards up there. Sometimes for two or three days and nights without stopping."

Alec started boiling inside. Letty, whom he'd never seen scared of anything, was scared out of her wits. "I'll go up and pay them my respects," he said, but she tightened her fingers on his arm and was pulling him into the hall and down it. "You can sleep in your old room tonight." She opened a door, found a lamp on the mantel and lit it.

Inside the room Alec, still holding to the knob of the door he'd closed behind him, said harshly, "What's got the matter with him?"

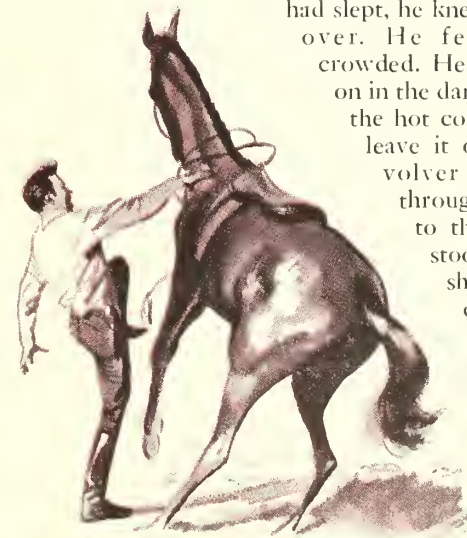
"Whiskey has run him crazy, I think," she said. One of the shades at the long windows, drawn clear to the floor in spite of the hot night, swung inward a little, and a spasm crossed her face. "He may be out there listening." Her lips just shaped the words.

"I'll go out and see," Alec said, but she was beside him, pushing his hand from the doorknob. "You're all I've got, Alec. Don't see him tonight. Sleep—please. Here in your old room. But be careful. In the morning. . . ." She was gone, closing the door behind her.

Confused and made helpless by Letty's strange behavior, Alec focused his eyes on the familiar room of his boyhood. The mirror of the walnut dresser was broken out and the oval frame swung empty between the two little top drawers. The split bottoms of the two chairs were ragged and broken. Only the spool bed looked the same. Suddenly he was dog tired. He blew out the lamp, rolled up the window shades to let air into the stifling room, and undressing in the dark, lay down on the bed. Pulling the extra pillow down about even with his hips, he shoved his revolver under it, in easy reach of his hand.

HE WOKE, gasping for air, and sat upright. With no idea how long he had slept, he knew his sleeping was over. He felt exposed and crowded. He pulled his clothes on in the dark, hating to put on the hot coat, but he couldn't leave it off and let his revolver show. Stepping through the window on to the side gallery, he stood listening. Light shone from the window upstairs, and muffled talking told him the card game was still going on.

The green Bermuda grass beyond the steps had a velvety bluish color that was



beginning to reflect light from somewhere. Looking up, he saw the pitch blackness of the sky was thinning, and the stars were pale. Daylight was coming. Hunting a cool place, he took the old path into the orchard. Backing his shoulders against a pear tree, he watched the mules in the lot, some of them still sleeping, others drinking at the water trough. Full daylight came, and he saw sunlight touch the familiar

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Setting the Stage for



Much that is wrong with show business can be traced to a phony government relief project that cost taxpayers millions.

By **WALTER BROOKS**

THEATRICAL BUSINESS has been famous for its "angels"—financial angels, that is—those wealthy backers who put money into shows for reasons of their own. But did you know that your Uncle Sam was the "sugar daddy" of them all—the theatrical angel to top-flight all angels, even those with wings?

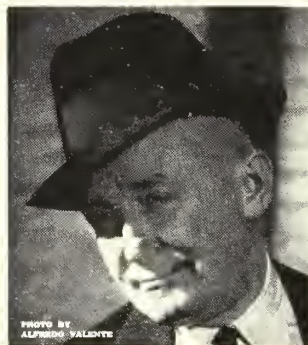
In 1935, your Government allocated \$4,800,000,000 for relief, and that was important money. The public had to stand back and point off, to fully appreciate ten decimal places. At that time, the theatre, as an institution, was badly in need of relief. For that matter, the theatre—the "Fabulous Invalid"—is *always* in need of relief. But in the depth of the depression, there were many honest people of the theatre who needed help.

It was in that year that a delegation of important stage producers went to Washington to ask for Government aid, not in the nature of relief, but as an official loan, to be used and paid back, on a revolving fund basis. It was proposed that \$1,000,000 be provided for new production, and consequently, new employment, in the two or three cities where the legitimate theatre has its source. The members of the committee, headed by Eddie Dowling, included George M. Cohan, Arthur Hopkins, Brock Pemberton, John Golden and others, all truly representative of the theatre. They presented their case, and awaited developments.

But nothing happened; at least, nothing remotely resembling an acceptance of their proposition. There *was* an obstacle, which was not immediately apparent. Mrs. Roosevelt opposed their plan, and she did this by successfully presenting an alternative plan of her own, to the President. Harry Hopkins, hatchet man and dispenser of the relief billions, carried out her ideas, which were so completely in sympathy with his own.

The Federal Theatre Project was one of 11,000 "projects" provided through the National Emergency Council for the spending of four billion, eight hundred million dollars. There

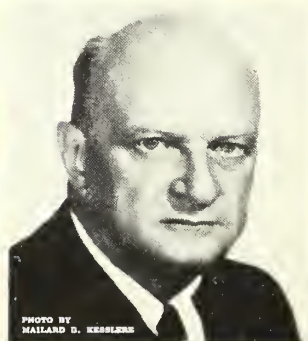
THESE COMPETENT THEATRICAL LEADERS WERE BRUSHED ASIDE IN FAVOR OF REDS, PINKS, STAGE-STRUCK HAMS AND CHISELERS.



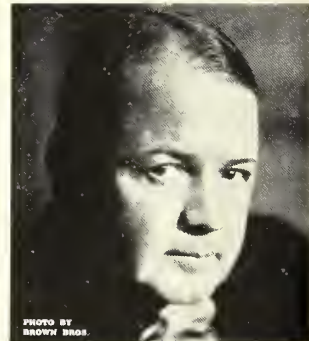
GEORGE M. COHAN



EDDIE DOWLING



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ARTHUR HOPKINS

MOSCOW



Hallie Flanagan apparently qualified as boss of the project because she had been Eleanor Roosevelt's drama coach at Vassar. Another "angel" was the ubiquitous Harry Hopkins.



◀ That great thespian Orson Welles was turned loose on an unsuspecting world via the project.



Elmer Rice ▶ jumped into the project with both feet, and predictable results.

were also the Federal Writers Project, the Federal Arts Project and the Federal Youth Projects. It was said that Mrs. Roosevelt "was interested in all the Art projects." And she wrote the plot for what happened to the Arts under relief.

With orders from the White House, Harry Hopkins asked Hallie Flanagan (Mrs. Phillip Haldane Davis) to become the head of the Federal Theatre Project, although she had no connection with legitimate theatre. She had been for ten years director of the Experimental Theatre at Vassar College, and was Mrs. Roosevelt's drama coach. Harry telephoned to Hallie, and a Project was born. She cites this sequence of events in her book, *Arena*—the story of the Federal Theatre Project, which was published by Duell, Sloan and Pearce in 1940.

Immediately, the Federal Theatre Project was no longer theatrical business. It was purely relief, and there were many millions to spend. So, the Project was set up in the forty-eight States, in spite of the fact that theatre arts were concentrated in one or two producing centers, such as New York and Hollywood. The relief money was to go for labor—"as wages for people actually on relief roles"—regardless of their real or apparent affiliation with theatrical enterprise.

Nobody knows how many unemployed theatre people there were. Actor's Equity said 5,000, and they should know. The WPA estimated 20,000 to 30,000 in New York. The Equity figure was near the truth. In any event, honest people of the theatre, who had always taken care of their own, knew for sure that there was no such fantastic number of professional people on relief, or in need of relief, throughout the forty-eight States.

Elmer Rice, well known left-wing playwright, and Jacob Baker, mystery man insofar as the theatre was concerned, were made co-administrators. It was said that Baker was a publisher of pro-communist literature, and he has never been heard of, in theatre business, since the Project closed. Harry Hopkins guided the three Administrators, with the advice and help of the White House.



The revolutionary ardor of some of the pink hams burst out in such things as strikes. Here part of a New York audience was caught on a fire escape while police battled the striking cast.

The President, it was said, wanted to make the Theatre Project available to all comers, proving that he had little love for the theatre, for his action officially labeled the amateur theatre as legitimate, and vice versa. We'll all be paying for that, forever.

Elmer Rice is quoted by Hallie Flanagan as saying, "How can you audition an actor? We'll take 'em on, —if they're no good, we'll throw 'em off." But he never seemed to throw them off, and the Project became saturated with amateurs, aspiring actors and

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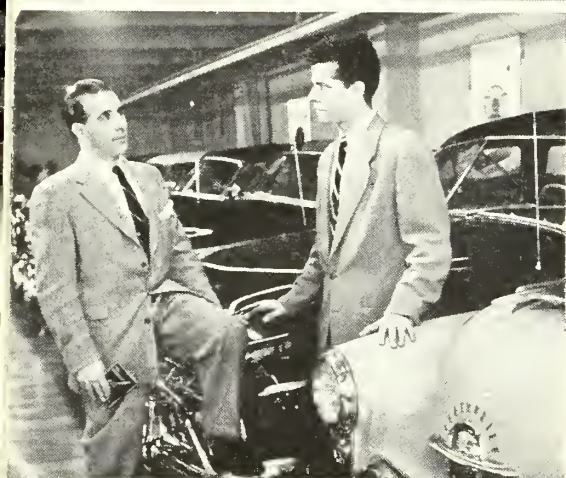
Can You

A new job often means risks. This tells how to appraise them.

By WILLIAM J. DUFFY

CAREER CONSULTANT

WHEN YOU CHANGE JOBS



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Be sure you get the job before leaving the old one.

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EVERY MAN, at least once or twice in his lifetime, stands at the crossroads, faced with a vital career decision that involves some kind of gamble. And whether he decides to take road number one and "play it safe" or road number two and "take the gamble," his decision affects his whole life, for better or for worse.

Dean Irwin was a garage mechanic in a small town in Illinois. One afternoon he got an emergency call. There was an automobile accident on the highway out of town. He arrived at the scene of the accident before the doctor did. Three bodies lay strewn on the road.

Dean knew all about fixing the automobile, but he knew nothing about helping these unfortunate people. They all died before the doctor arrived.

As a result of that one agonizing experience, Dean Irwin gradually developed an intense desire to become a physician. But could he afford to take the gamble?

He was thirty-one. He was married. He was making a good living as a garage mechanic. He didn't even have a high school diploma. The safest course was to go along as he was. Maybe he couldn't make the grade in medicine. Even if he did, it would take years to get his degree, and more years to work up any kind of practice.

He decided to take the chance.

First, he made up his high school requirements for pre-medical school at night school while he continued working as a garage mechanic. Second, he entered pre-medical school and pursued his studies during the day while he worked as a "night-call man" at a nearby garage. Meanwhile, his wife took a job in a women's hat shop.

Eight years later, he graduated from medical school, and today he's a country doctor, living a full life of service in a field that's nearer and dearer to him than any other vocation in the world.

Now there's a case of a young man who took a big gamble and everything turned out just right. But there are other cases in which men "took the gamble" and lost.

I know a hotel manager who was very successful until he made one unfortunate career decision that cost him nearly everything he had. In his early fifties,

married, with two children, he was doing very well for himself managing a Chicago hotel. During his peak earning years he had accumulated a substantial nest-egg in sound securities.

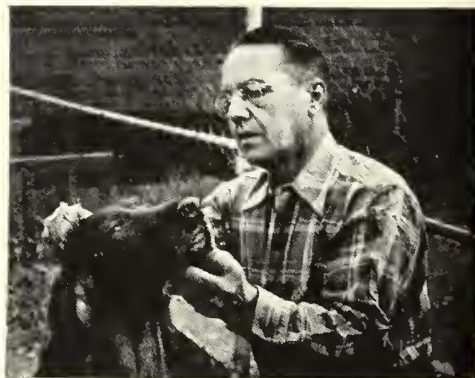
Meanwhile, a good friend out in Los Angeles, who was a chemical engineer, had been working for years on a new process for cracking and refining petroleum that would greatly increase the value of petroleum products that could be extracted from every gallon of crude oil. It certainly looked as though this new refining process would be worth millions of dollars when it was completed, but the engineer had run out of funds and needed money to perfect the process and market it.

After considerable thought and study, the hotel manager gradually became convinced that here was a chance for him to invest his nest-egg in a new process, help his friend market it, and be all set as a partner in a profitable business for the rest of his life. So he quit his job as hotel manager and moved his family to Los Angeles, where he and the engineer set themselves up in business.

However, when the new process was completed and they tried to sell it to some oil refiners, they found that these refineries had been quietly working along the same line and had already perfected the same process.

The hotel manager, now in his late fifties and broke, had a tough time getting back into the hotel business at all. And now, he's managing a small hotel in Los Angeles and making about half what he made in Chicago.

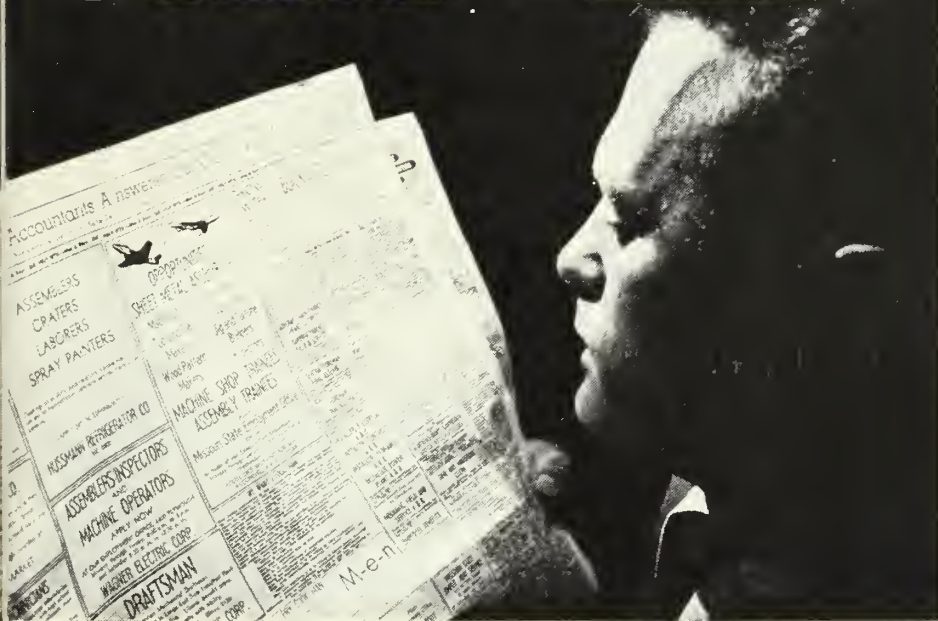
HOW TO RETIRE AND KEEP WORKING



A former factory superintendent makes a living raising and selling English Setters.

PHOTOS BY BENN MITCHELL

AFFORD to GAMBLE?



Now it's perfectly true that when a fellow takes a long chance and wins, he's a "hero," and if he loses, he's a "bum." And it doesn't take many brains to criticize a person after you know he failed, and why.

It's equally true that all life is a gamble and there are no fool-proof rules or guides that a man can follow and be sure that he's going to win every time. But it is possible to learn something from the successes and failures of others and to arrive at certain basic principles that will help you to boost your batting

average in making successful career decisions, and save yourself from the common mistakes that usually lead to disaster.

It's really surprising, for example, how many men hold the erroneous conviction that the best time to take a gamble is when you're "at your peak" and in the "prime of life." And, offhand, you'd say it makes sense that a man should be at his best if he's going to gamble and win.

The whole trouble with this line of reasoning is that most men who are in

the "prime of life" are also shouldering their heaviest financial responsibilities in raising a family during this same period, and they cannot afford to gamble. In fact, it's just plain foolish for a man in his peak earning years to flit around with long shots. That's the one period of his life when he'd better "stay put" and "play it safe."

However, there are at least two periods in most men's lives when they find that it is absolutely necessary to take some kind of gamble if they are to make desired progress and reach desired goals:

1. When you are young, *before* you start raising a family, (or certainly before your family responsibilities become too great), you may find it necessary to make bold moves—moves that put you in the line of work for which you are best fitted and which you love most; moves that promise to add to your education or your prestige or your salable background, moves that prepare you to make the kind of money you want to make during your peak earning years when your responsibilities will be heaviest.



When you are young and when you are old the odds are in your favor when you switch jobs. But be careful about any changes in those golden middle years.

2. When your peak earning years are drawing to a close, *after* your family is raised, if you are working for someone else, you know darned well that you will soon be displaced by a younger man and you *must* make a bold move and get into some kind of small business which you completely *control* so that no one can fire you. Let's consider the young man first of all.

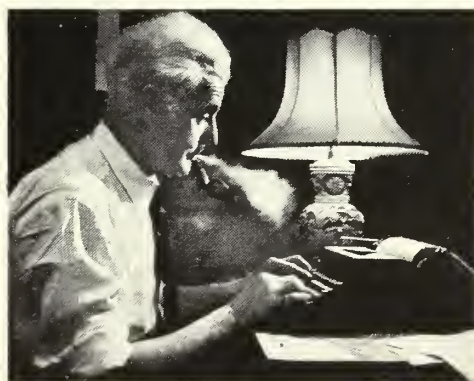
When George Harrison got out of the Army, he took an office job in the statistical department of a Wall Street brokerage house. He was getting along all right, but he wasn't particularly enthusiastic about what he was doing or how he was progressing.

He liked people—all kinds of people, especially the underdog. He was always trying to find out what makes people tick, and he read everything he could get on labor disputes. A friend of his told him that he ought to get into personnel work and maybe wind up in the field of negotiating union contracts.

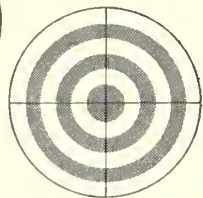
But there he was, twenty-nine, married, the first baby on its way, and he
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A former office manager solved his problem by starting a little printing business.



An advertising copy writer quit his job at age 53, then made more money than ever.



How NOT to miss 'em



This Sako rifle firing a .222 Remington makes a fine varmintier when fitted with a K6 Weaver.

Whether you are a hunter or a targeteer, a riflescope will make your shots count for more.

By JACK DENTON SCOTT

THE YEAR was 1865, the scene a cultivated valley in a border State. It was a quiet day with a heat haze just beginning to build. Suddenly there was a shot, and a curl of smoke lifted as light and innocent looking as a white feather in the breeze. Across the wide swath of valley, exactly one mile, one hundred and eighty-seven feet distant, the man in the distinctive field gray uniform of the Confederacy staggered and fell dead. Aides rushed to his side. Confusion and pandemonium broke forth.

Behind that long and fantastic shot that threw the heavy concentration of soldiers into a state of leaderless bewilderment, stood several impressive factors. The most important of these was a 25-power telescope with so bright and so large a field that it even then rived some of those made today. It had a scale on its rifle mounting that was adjustable both vertically and horizontally and read in minutes of angle. The rifle that hurled the bullet was thirty pounds in weight, a muzzle-loading percussion lock, target rifle, and its maker's name, Abe Williams, was marked cleanly on the barrel.

Behind that herculean shot was careful preparation. As Charles Winthrop Sawyer reconstructed the scene in his *Firearms in America* series, bushes had been replanted to form a screen, and a small cellar dug and floored. Sawyer believes that some fifty soldiers were used, bearing planks, scantlings, carpentry tools, surveying instruments and the big rifle. Then a sturdy table was constructed on the flooring of the cellar; a lever-operated muzzle-raising device was installed. The sharpshooter

who peered through the telescope and downed the officer, then had the blind covered with canvas that had been painted a natural green. So there was much more involved than peering through a telescopic sight and pressing a trigger.

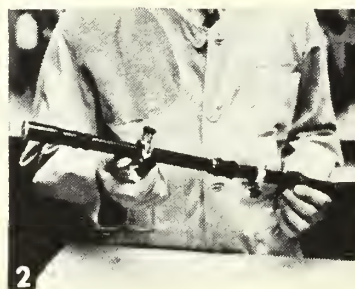
Today scopes are not the military curiosity they were back in the Civil War days, but are more or less commonplace items. However, relatively

few people know the whys and wherefores of the scope. Don't let the gadget-look of the scope-equipped rifle scare you off. The day the genius sat down and decided that the "spy" glass could be used on the rifle as easily and effectively as in your hand, a whole new vista unfolded for the shooting man.

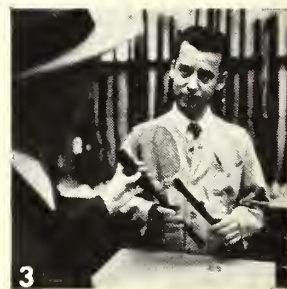
Now, exactly what is a riflescope? It's a telescope mounted on a rifle and like any telescope it can be had in



1 By turning a ring this Bausch & Lomb scope changes power from 2½ to 4x.

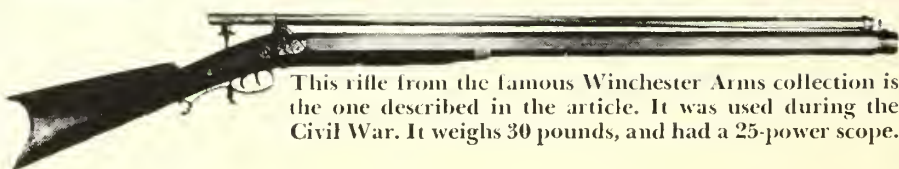
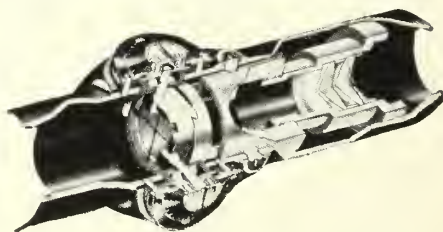


2 External knobs change elevation and windage in this Fecker 10x target scope.



3 R. G. Sauer of Stoeger Arms demonstrates a Litschert Varmint Master attachment. Replacing the objective lens of a Weaver J4 turns it into a 6-power scope.

This sectional view of a Bushnell Scopemaster shows how an internally adjusted scope works. Turning the slotted screw heads adjusts for elevation and windage.



This rifle from the famous Winchester Arms collection is the one described in the article. It was used during the Civil War. It weighs 30 pounds, and had a 25-power scope.



Fred Kuhn, one of the best small bore competitors in the East, with a Remington 37 and a Unertl scope. The spotting scope is Bausch & Lomb.



A perfect combination for the deerslayer in this Marlin 336A 30/30 caliber with a Lyman 4x Challenger scope on a Griffin & Howe mount.



Scope-shooting at low cost is offered in this Mossberg outfit—22 rifle and 4x scope—selling for \$33.90. The 20x spotting scope is also Mossberg.

various "powers." This simply represents the magnification. For instance, when you talk about a 4-power (a 4X) scope, it means it magnifies the image four times. A 10X glass magnifies ten times, and so on.

However, as anyone who has used a telescope or binocular knows, the glasses with the greatest amount of power or magnification are not necessarily the best. You run into certain optical laws which place limitations on what the scope can do apart from magnify.

For example, unless you want to get into cumbersome and impractical optical systems when you have a rifle scope of high magnification, you also have one whose field of view is relatively narrow. Also, the image it shows is not so bright. So, knowing something about what is available, it is up to you to decide which is best for your type of shooting.

The following facts indicate what a scope can do:

Correct focus. Any object sighted with a scope is clear and distinct as well as being magnified in size.

Brightness. Looking into a good scope reveals a bright image of game or target. A proper scope gathers most of the light coming directly from the target and eliminates reflections and stray light.

Corrects faulty vision. Shooters with near- or far-sighted vision can adjust the eyepiece of their scope to compensate. Thus they can compete on an equal basis for game or better scores.

Easy alignment. The sighting member of the scope, the reticule, is easy to place on game, and is in the same focal plane as the image. Positive sighting without blurring.

Less error. A telescopic sight removes one source of error in sighting—the limitation of the human eye to discern small objects at long range. Thus, it is more accurate than a metallic sight, as is proved in modern competitive shooting.

Matches best guns and ammunition. The only way to get the best from a gun and ammunition is with a sight which is more accurate than either of them—a scope sight.

Corrects faulty sighting habits. Canting a gun or movement while sighting is quickly noted with the crosshairs of a scope and can be easily corrected.

Judging point of aim. Where most long distance

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Can the Kids take TV?

By RUTH A. INGLIS

Youngsters are pretty durable but there are limits to everything.

THERE ARE too many gangster films, horror movies, and gory crime plays with vivid and morbid details," said one West Virginia parent in answer to a questionnaire.

"We do not advocate attempting to rear children in a vacuum, but we do object to their unrelenting bombardment by radio and television programs characterized by sensationalism, corruption, trickery, mediocrity, and shoddy humor," wrote Mrs. Newton P. Leonard, president of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, to a Congressional Committee investigating radio and television programs last year.

During the Committee's hearings one of the members, Representative J. Edgar Chenoweth of Colorado, declared, "I think there is serious, substantial, well-founded objection on the part of an average reasonable American citizen to the type of program that has been coming into his home."

The Congressman was pointing out to one of the broadcasting industry's representatives, who agreed, that the objections were not coming from "crackpots" or unreasonable people but from parents aroused about the quality of radio-TV programs and their possibly detrimental effects upon children.

The House probing committee—the Federal Communications Commission Subcommittee of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce—investigated not only "whether improper emphasis is placed in radio and television programs upon crime, violence, and corruption" but "whether radio and television programs contain immoral or otherwise offensive matter." The latter point included testimony regarding low necklines and other allegedly offensive dress, immoral plays, "blue jokes," and certain types of commercials.

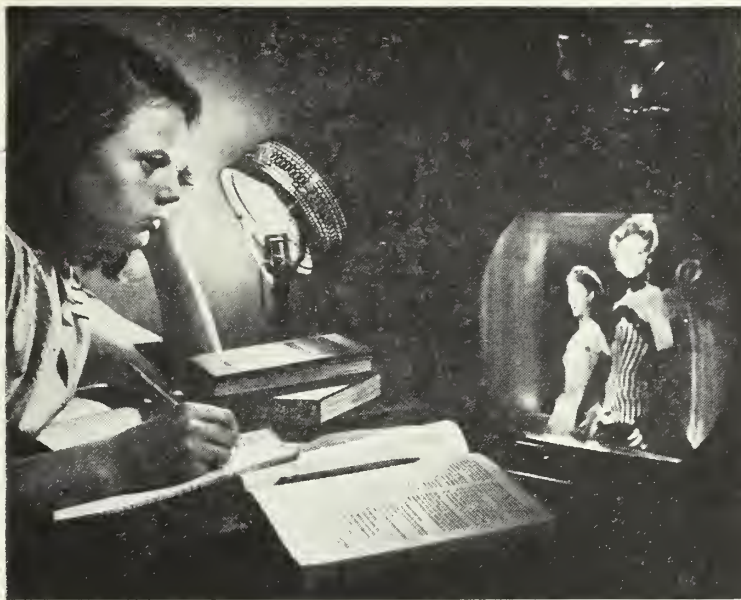
Parental concern about the bad influence of the mass media of communication on children is as old as the media themselves. The current situation in television and radio is not different from what the motion picture and comic book industries have long experienced. In fact, part of the concern of parents stems from the fact that children are exposed to all these media in our culture; and the cumulative diet of crime, horror and violence from all of them is potentially more effective than from any one alone. It is known that children reinforce their taste for Westerns or crime fiction by getting it from as many sources as possible.

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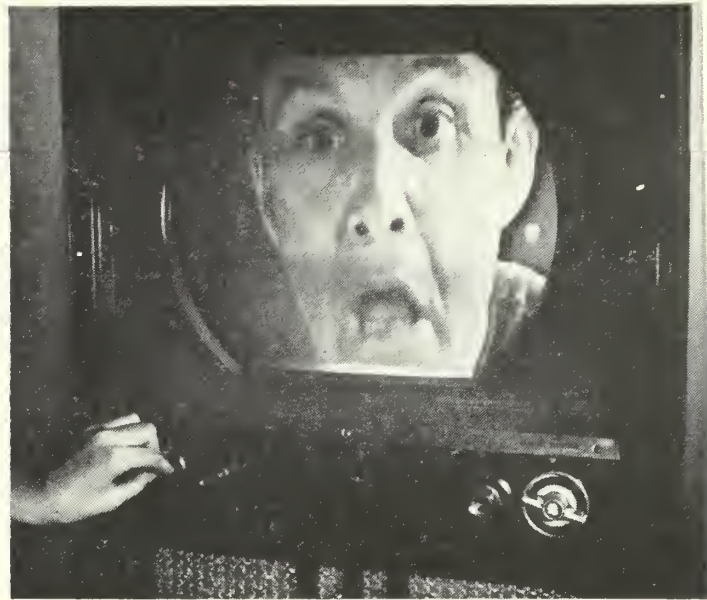
TV programming is much more troublesome than radio programming at present. This should not be surprising. TV is new; it appeals to the eye with movement as well as to the ear; it is easily accessible to children; and it is growing more rapidly than its capacity to produce suitable programs in sufficient quantity.

Television is rapidly expanding. Almost half of the homes in the United States now have television sets. (Radio coverage is 98%.) Even after the novelty has worn off, people seem to devote more time to television than they do to radio. According to one competent study, over four and one-half hours per day per home was the average during 1952, as compared to a little more than three hours for radio. As a matter of fact between eight and eleven o'clock on an average evening, more people are viewing television than listening to radio, even now when many areas do not have television reception. No doubt about it, TV is gaining.

Children are especially avid radio and television fans. Pre-school youngsters spend as much as five or six hours a day watching television. A census of the televiewing of two thousand six-year-olds in Los Angeles County pub-



They spend more time on TV than they do on their homework.



The solution may be found in the knob marked "Off."

lic and parochial schools in April 1952 revealed that:

- 82% watch TV every day.
- 30% watch at least six TV programs daily.
- 62% would rather watch TV than play outside.
- 67% ask their mother to buy things advertised on television.
- 47% sing the advertising songs they hear on television.
- 62% talk to their playmates about TV programs.
- 54% dream about things they see on television.
- 59% of the children report that TV programs frighten them.
- 33.3% are considered restless by their teachers.
- 38% have large vocabularies, according to their teachers.

As children get older, school and homework cut into their viewing time, and the amount of TV listening goes down. Some then do their homework with the radio on. Even so, a recent Xavier University study in Cincinnati found that twelve- and thirteen-year-old students spend an average of 3.7 hours each school day in front of the TV screen. Including Saturday and Sunday, they spend thirty hours a week with television as compared with twenty-five hours a week in school; and it will be conceded by all their attention is less inclined to wander from the TV screen than in Miss Jane Doe's classroom!

By far the most outstanding result of all the surveys of children's listening is that they listen as much or more to adult

programs as to those produced especially for them. Two content studies by the National Association of Educational Broadcasters show that only a small percentage (10.31% in Los Angeles during one week in May 1951, and 13% in New York City during one week in January 1951) of the content of television broadcasting is especially designed for the child audience. Only a small proportion of radio broadcasting is of this type.

Children listen to and look at adult programs whether or not they are suitable. The Xavier study indicated that Westerns and mystery crime TV programs were watched regularly by large proportions of the sixth and seventh

graders. Eighty-five per cent and eighty-three per cent were regular fans of *Six Gun Theatre* and *Six Gun Playhouse* respectively. Televiewing mystery-crime shows by the children was often an all-or-none matter. For example, those who watched *Mystery Playhouse* on Sunday nights at 11:15 had, for the most part, already seen *Famous Jury Trials* at 10:30, *Hands of Mystery* at 10 and *Plain Clothes Man* at 9:30.

A rough idea of the extent to which radio and television programs are filled with violence, crime, and other material presumably unsuitable for children can be ascertained from monitoring studies. Even though they may lack something in scientific reliability, they underline the fact that violence is all too common. Last winter parental groups in Chicago tabulated 134 television programs broadcast on four TV stations during the last week in December. Christmas week found ninety-three murders, seventy-eight shootings, nine kidnappings, nine robberies, forty-four gun fights, thirty-three sluggings, two knifings, three whip-lashings, two poisonings, two bombings—a total of 295 crimes of violence. No wonder many parents thought that George S. Kaufman might well have sandwiched one more playing of "Silent Night" into this welter of crime.

Last fall six monitors recorded 852 crimes, including 167 murders, which were televised on 124 programs during one week in the Los Angeles area. In real life, the whole United States
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Most sponsors and advertising agencies are aware of their responsibility to the public. Bob Foreman, left, vice president in charge of TV for Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn, Inc., scans script to eliminate objectionable material. The agency is the largest in radio-TV billing, with *Your Lucky Strike Theatre*, *Cavalcade of America*, the *Groucho Marx Show*, etc.

HOUSE BUILDING MADE EASY

Starting with four walls and a roof, many people are building their own homes with ready-to-install windows, doors, staircases and other components.

By **JULE R. VON STERNBERG, A.I.A.**

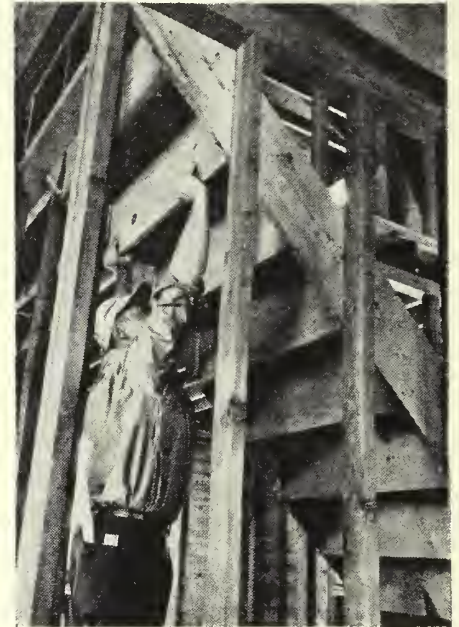
THERE'S HARDLY a man-jack who hasn't at some time or another wanted to throw up a wall, finish an attic, build in a bookcase, or add a wing to the old chateau. Most of these dreams have gone a-glimmering when the lad learned he was not the combination carpenter-architect-contractor-banker he should be to undertake even a small construction project.

A revolution is taking place in the building business, however. Confronted by the success of assembly line techniques in other fields—and by an alarming shortage of building craftsmen—the building industry has started to adopt mass production principles. The change bodes well for every frustrated amateur wood butcher; it means that he now can do much of the work himself. Skill, time and money have been expertly wrung out of many building operations at the factory. Instead of working with thousands and thousands of parts necessary in a house, the builder now

assembles a relatively few factory-made units, or prefabricated parts.

You now can buy prefabricated walls, floors, windows, doors, stairs, kitchens, furniture, closets, fireplaces, chimneys, plumbing, sheathing, roofing, cupolas, birdhouses—and dozens more. Most of these go together on the job with very little skill. (All you need are simple tools and the ability to follow instructions.) Every one is a time-saver, too. And, for the most part, they're better designed, better engineered, and more durable than the hand-made products they displace.

To give you an idea of the enormity of the job that prefabrication has tackled, here is a simple picture: In an average three-bedroom house, there are about 30,000 parts—not including parts of parts. In the old days, each one of these 30,000 parts was nailed or screwed or poured or laid into place by men on the job. It was tedious work, and the only reason people could afford



Packaged stairs come in one piece. Just heist into place and nail.

houses at all was because the men who put them together were low-paid craftsmen. When Henry Ford, however, started putting autos together on an assembly line, he could offer his workers higher wages. To keep up with his scale, other workers, including building tradesmen, were also offered more money. Result: Everyone rode in an automobile, and building costs headed for the stratosphere.

To help bring down the high cost of building, more and more parts of the house were put together by machine in factories. It's a trend that is still going

Even oak flooring boasts the prefabber's touch. It's now pre-stained and finished.

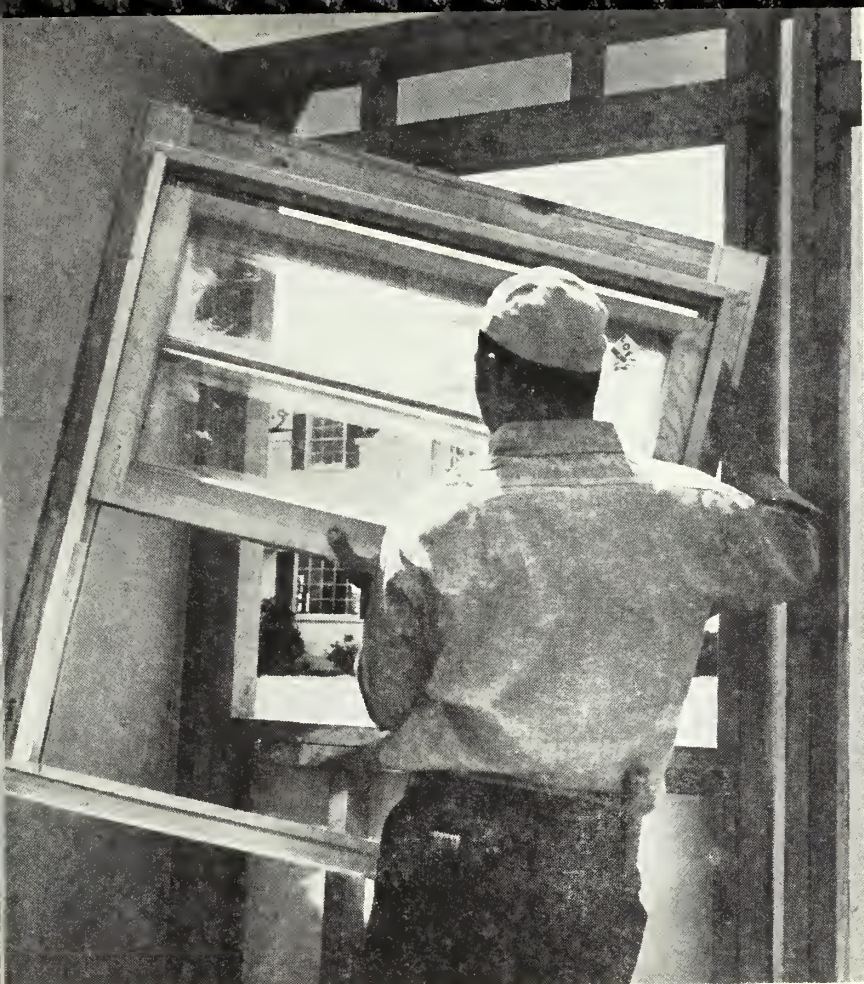


The factory-made door jamb is virtually foolproof. Shim it, plumb it, nail it.



Insulation packed in batt or blanket form is easy to install.





New prefabricated window is complete with glazing, frame, hardware, storm sash, weatherstripping, screen. Installation time: 5 minutes.

strong. You know many of these prefabricated materials at first hand. Take wallboards, for example. These big panels have been around for years. A single 4' x 8' wallboard replaces three dozen pieces of lath, a hundred or so nails, three coats of plaster . . . at just about a fifth the cost. But even this phenomenal saving is being bettered: One manufacturer now makes a huge 8' x 18' panel that is large enough to cover an entire wall or ceiling. There are virtually no joints (cut out holes for windows and doors), the panel goes up faster, looks better, wears better than multi-paneled walls.

But this is getting ahead of our story. Suppose, for example, you want to add a wing on the house. Now, you have lots of land—but very little money. So you decide to do a good part of the work yourself, using as many prefabricated parts as possible.

Unfortunately, foundations are not yet prefabricated; it is still necessary to dig a hole, and line or fill it with concrete or masonry, using old-fashioned horny-handed labor. But once you have a foundation, virtually everything above it, from floor joists to roofline, can be bought partially or completely factory-assembled—prefabricated, in short.

PHOTOS BY DONATO LEO

Here's how you can put that wing together . . .

First, let's give it a floor. We'll need joists to span the basement walls. Years and years ago, joists were first prefabricated at sawmills—dimensioned, planed, and cut into standard lengths of two-foot increments. This was a whale of an improvement over the rough old timbers that had previously been available. The smooth surfaces and the fixed dimensions meant less adz-work and sawing on the job. They meant, too, that there'd be fewer squeaky floors, for flooring would lay tightly on the planed surfaces of these new joists. Because they were cut into standard two-foot increment length (14', 16', 18', etc.), builders and architects started dimensioning their houses to take them without cutting. The sawmill, in short, was one of our first prefabricators. By developing rigidly dimensioned lumber for framing and other purposes, it lifted a big burden of labor from the backs of the carpenters on the building job . . . made the job go up faster and stand up better . . . and made it possible, too, to pay the workmen more money for the same time!

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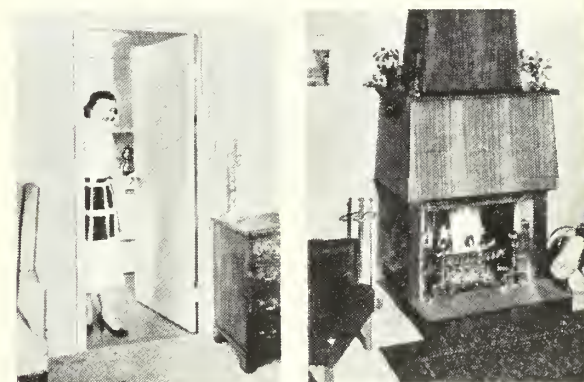
SOME OF THE COMPONENTS THAT SIMPLIFY HOUSE CONSTRUCTION.



All-in-one roofing. Sheathing, insulation and roofing—combined in one material. Finished in copper, aluminum, asphalt. *Armor-Cel.*



Prefab, one-piece walls. Wall-wide panels, 8' x 18', are large enough to cover an entire wall. Cut holes for windows, doors. *Upson.*



Ready-made steel doors, left. Won't warp, come complete with all hardware. *Fenestra.* *Factory fireplace, right.* Connect to a chimney, and it's ready to burn. *Hearthplace.*

Handyman's flooring. Simply cement down these factory-finished oak parquet tiles over old floors. In dark and natural colors. *Parkay.*



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Mob scenes such as this one in last year's Army-Navy game will no longer be permitted under the new substitution rules.

The new substitution rules will abolish football's two-platoon system.

IF YOU GLIMPSE your favorite college football star playing strip-tease with a brilliantly hued jersey on the sidelines this Fall, don't be surprised. If he slips a bright band around his arm or comes out of the game to sit on a bench apart from his teammates, like the dunce in the corner, think nothing of it.

Because you had better be prepared for anything and everything from the crewcut clan on the gridiron in this change-over year of 1953 when the coaches, those sideline Svengalis who have been pulling the strings as they pleased, suddenly find that their Trilbys cannot respond as before. The act has a whole set of new rules.

In addition to the shenanigans on the sidelines, designed to separate the eligibles from the ineligible, you may expect a comedy of errors, both on offense and defense . . . a slower style of play . . . less forward passing . . . and lower scores. There will be occasional scenes of chaos on the battlefield as the new substitution ruling catches a linebacker attempting to make like a hip-swiveling halfback or a T-formation quarterback suddenly finds himself groveling in the dirt as he tries to imitate the intricate and unaccustomed

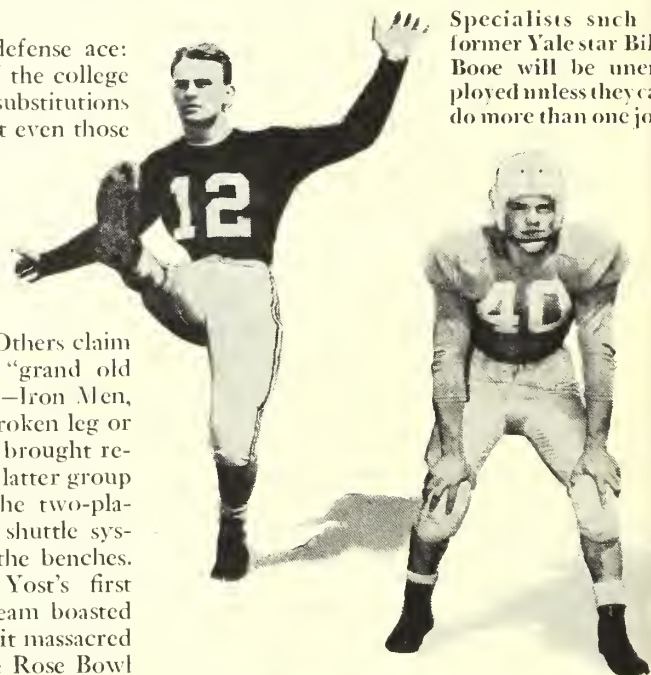
maneuvers of a real pass defense ace:

You see, the legislators of the college game went back to limited substitutions last January and no-one—not even those who masterminded the end of the two-platoon system—is quite certain what the change will bring.

Some say it will ruin the sport both for the players and the spectators. Others claim it means a return to the "grand old days" when men were men—Iron Men, that is to say—and only a broken leg or some such crippling injury brought removal from the game. This latter group happily hails the end of the two-platoon era with its constant shuttle system of units to and from the benches.

Fielding (Hurry Up) Yost's first point-a-minute Michigan team boasted only a 14-man squad when it massacred the Stanford Indians in the Rose Bowl of 1902. Minnesota stopped Red Grange in 1924 and substituted only one guard in bringing off the upset. And ten years later, Columbia accomplished one of the great post-season surprises of modern times—a 7-0 defeat of Stanford in the Rose Bowl of 1934—with just 15 players, two of whom entered the fray in the

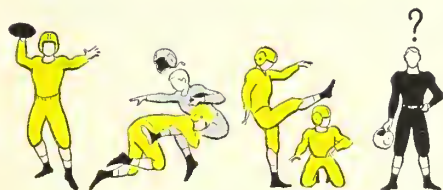
Specialists such as former Yale star Billy Booe will be unemployed unless they can do more than one job.



Columbia line-backer, Jerry Hampton, will become a center in order to keep him playing.

IRON MEN *come back?*

By GENE WARD



The all-around player is due for rejuvenation now that the rule-makers have eliminated the two-platoon system.

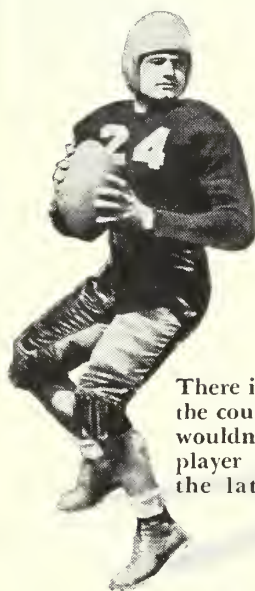


George Hardeman, Georgia Tech star, may have trouble getting in the line-up this year.

final two minutes of a titanic upset. But the most recent set of Iron Men did their moleskin marathoning with the Iowa team of 1939, led by the late and great Nile Kinnick. And the highlight of the Hawkeye campaign that season was an upset of Notre Dame in which only 13 Iowa players were used.

Kinnick was not particularly fast or rugged. He stood 5 feet 8 inches and scaled 173 pounds, and yet that season he played 360 consecutive minutes against Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Purdue, Notre Dame and Minnesota. He had all-around ability, a certain flair for doing the right thing at the right time which made him an adept operative either on offense or defense.

As things stand right now, moving into the 1953 campaign, there isn't a big league coach in the land who wouldn't trade away his backfield specialists—the T-quarterback who never has got his plastic panties dirty; the



There isn't a coach in the country this year who wouldn't like to have a player of the caliber of the late Nile Kinnick.



Here's one way the coach will be able to keep his bench straight. However, with the rules providing only a five-yard penalty for illegal substitution, some experts feel deliberate violations may occur if it enables the coach to use a valuable player.

ford's Bob Reynolds, who played every minute, 180 in all, of three consecutive Rose Bowl games.

Before you call this statement too drastic, you had better take a look at what the rulesmakers have done to the game. In a nutshell, the new legislation on substitution states that a player, once removed from action, cannot re-enter the contest during the same quarter except in the final four minutes of the second and fourth periods.

Actually, this breaks down into six separate periods. The first one is of 15-minutes' duration; the second, 11 minutes; the third, four minutes. After the half-time intermission, the fourth period thus runs 15 minutes; the fifth, 11 minutes; and the final four-minute segment becomes the sixth period.

A little complicated? Well, complications are what college football will have plenty of, at least until coaches and players smooth out a system of keeping positive check on who has and who hasn't been in the game. There will be some mighty embarrassing moments, and a few of these incidents will probably lose games, for each illegally substituted player costs his team a 15-yard penalty.

Oddly enough, as originally written the new substitution rule was one of those ambiguous bits of legislation which plague officials. It provided for only a five-yard penalty and while it was understood the offending player would be ejected for the remainder of the period in which the violation occurred, nothing in the rule book actually said so. At a special meeting in July the rules committee plugged this gap and increased the penalty to 15 yards. Some experts, however, still believe that tossing the player out of the game would really insure against violations.

Most of the maestros have been busy bees since spring, evolving methods of handling the situation. Ray Eliot, of Illinois, is the one who worked out the idea of a red bench to seat the ineligible as they leave the field of play. He tried it out in the intra-squad game last spring and it seemed a success, though it still has to be tested in the pressures of big-game combat.

Georgia Tech's Bobby Dodd plans to have the untouchables wear slipover shirts of varied hue and keep them on until they again become legally useful specimens. A number of other coaches, notably Red Dawson of Pittsburgh; Jess Hill, of Southern California; and Frank Howard, of Clemson, also have been toying with the idea of separate benches. At Notre Dame, Frank Leahy is delegating one coach to do nothing but keep tab on substitutions.

This unscrambling of the substitutions, however, is only the beginning, a mere drop in the old water bucket at which many a mentor will be spending a lot of time this Fall soothing jangled nerves. For no longer can the specialist be called on for spot duty; no longer can a phalanx of offensive or defensive stars be rushed into battle when the ball changes hands.

Supposing some of the die-hard exponents of two-platoon play still attempt to continue its operation. A sudden fumble deep in your own territory,

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Suddenly mail from her son in Korea stopped coming to Mrs. Grace Middlewood, of Livonia, Mich. On Mother's Day, the Livonia Legion Post invited her to send a tape-recording.

By ROBERT B. PITKIN

A GI ten months out of the States in a forward Korea area got a little cardboard box at mail call. Curious, he squatted on a shell-blasted tree stump, removed his helmet and opened the box. Out came a clear, plastic spool holding a roll of brown, cellulose tape. It was a tape recording, postmarked from his home town in Michigan.

That evening, thanks to guidance from a Special Services sergeant and a bumpy jeep ride to a rear area service club, the tape was played to him. He heard a familiar voice say: "Hello, son. This is your mother talking..."

Unashamed tears welled in the GI's eyes as he listened to his mother's voice for nearly three minutes. Her final words were: "God bless The American Legion for making it possible to talk to you so far away. We'll be counting the days until we hear your voice too. God keep you, son."

The boy played the message over and over and over again.

Next morning, the same tape flew out of Korea, Michigan-bound, with a new message on it that began: "Hello, Mother—and Dad too—this is your son talking from Korea..."

In a little Michigan town, a few days later, the tape with its new message was once more played over and over again and there were more tears.

They talk with their boys OVERSEAS

The Legion, radio stations and the Armed Forces team up on a great idea.

That was one incident in a broad program by which The American Legion is ferrying very special messages across the seas between GIs and their families and friends at home, with tremendous cooperation from the Armed Forces and U. S. radio stations.

Overseas tape-recordings are one important phase of a national Legion program called Hometown, U.S.A. It is the Legion's own application and extension of a national Legion policy to encourage everybody to keep the messages rolling between home and our one million servicemen in 24 foreign lands.

There is nothing fictional about the tears of the GI in Korea when he heard his mother's voice on a Legion Home-



Bud Middlewood had lost an arm in a mortar blast and couldn't write. From a Japan hospital he sent 6 minutes of voice to his folks.



town, U.S.A. tape. Every aspect of Hometown, U.S.A., of which the tape recording program is one, is supercharged with emotion.

The Legion's National Public Relations Commission started Hometown, U.S.A. in August, a year ago. The Department of New York kicked off the program when it sent the first batch of tapes overseas from booths set up in Times Square at last year's National Convention. In that one operation 2,750 voice messages from home went to overseas servicemen.

Soon after that, various Posts, getting the idea from the Times Square recordings and from National or Department literature, began sending tapes overseas on their own, while the state Legion organizations began considering the slower job of statewide drives.

Nobody has bothered to count the number of tapes Legion Posts have already sent to GIs abroad. It may exceed 30,000 by now, and the program is still getting up steam. As summer began, so many Hometown tapes were arriving at overseas units that the demand for tape recorders on the overseas end was beginning to overrun the Armed Forces' budget for such items. The national Legion began seeking donations of additional tape recorders to place in enlisted men's service clubs abroad.

Hawaii posts have been sending tapes overseas continuously since last November.

Alabama Posts have sent more than 1,000 tapes (nobody has tallied how many more.) Indiana Posts have sent more than 1,000. Maryland Posts have sent more than 2,000. Various Posts are known to have gone ahead on their own without submitting figures. They include Posts in Ohio, California, Maine, Kansas, Washington and other states. New Jersey Posts have recorded and sent a large number without an organized statewide drive.

These were just the beginning.

The Department of Michigan was the first Legion organization to send taped voice recordings to GIs, from their friends and families, on an organized, statewide basis.

As a result, Michigan Legion Posts sent upward of 5,000 voice messages overseas in March and April.

On July 5, the Legion Department of Pennsylvania started a highly organized statewide drive to have Posts in that state send tapes overseas. A broadside announcement went to each

Post in the state with details and specific suggestions for doing the job.

The District of Columbia was activating a Department-sponsored tape-sending drive at this writing.

The Legion in Alaska, with reverse English on the ball, has sent more than 1,000 tapes to continental U.S. that originated with the servicemen stationed in Alaska. This program was kicked off by Alaska's National Executive Committeeman, John H. Van Horn.

The tape recordings are but one half of the Legion's Hometown, U.S.A. program. In an entirely different phase of the plan, a national Legion desk in Washington, D. C. gets direct, written requests from GIs overseas. Within five hours of the time they are opened, these requests are forwarded by the Legion to the serviceman's hometown radio station. Shortly, the radio station plays a tune request and reads a message from the GI to a loved one at home. First the station notifies the interested hometown person of the time of the broadcast.

James M. Condon heads up the Hometown, U.S.A. activity under the Legion's National Public Relations Commission. Condon programmed a "Stateside Calling" program from an Armed Forces Radio station in the Philippines in WWII. Now, his Legion desk is perhaps the biggest single target for personal mail from overseas in the nation.

Between March and mid-August of this year, more than 33,000 tune requests and messages from men overseas crossed Condon's desk, and the trend is dizzily upward. The requests were broadcast by more than 2,100 U. S. radio stations from coast to coast.

Condon's small staff gets help in the huge sorting and mailing job from relays of volunteer workers from the District of Columbia American Legion Auxiliary.

A count during the second week in May showed 468 different tune titles requested in 1,600 letters from overseas during that week. Mother's Day made it a big week. But 1,400 letters in a week is not uncommon.

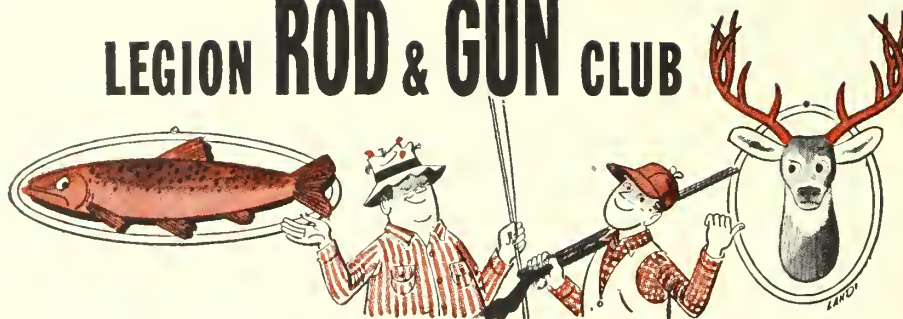
By then, the tune-requested program had run its full circle many times. GIs overseas had heard from their wives, mothers, sweethearts or other loved ones that "Station XYZ

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Day's mail at the Legion desk where GIs' requests and messages are relayed to their local radio stations.

LEGION ROD & GUN CLUB



Summer's gone and done it again. Sneaked away and left us with the lishing fever still upon us. But all isn't lost. A quick check with your fishing calendar will set your mind at ease. Bass, perch: most of the pan fish, and nearly the whole list of salt water fish are still yours for the catching. In many ways September is the superior fishing month. The sun isn't quite as hot and this month there'll be kind of an air conditioned feel to the breeze.

By JACK DENTON SCOTT

Incidentally you target shooters, varmint shooters and plinkers should know that Remington has just hit the market with a new .22 caliber cartridge. Over five years of research went into its making and its design is a radical departure from the conventional style bullet. More than 70 alloys were given the test before the final bullet composition was chosen. It is said that the new .22 bullet's shoulder profile gives it increased accuracy through greater wind stability and a more uniform center of impact over a long series of shots. The Remington experts tell us that the new .22 whammy gave them a thousand consecutive X's.

Thousands of fishermen on the eastern coast knew Jack Brawley as one of their best. (Jack was the hunting and fishing editor of the N. Y. *Journal-American*.) When he died early this year a few of them tried to think what they could do that would have pleased Jack most.

Their plan may give others some ideas. Here it is.

They got together a complete set of fishing tackle, had a handsome oak box made for it, and put it in custody of the Long Beach Memorial Hospital out on Long Island, New York. The hospital has offered a pier which it happens to own for the use of disabled veterans in the area who like to wet a line. Since Jack, in addition to his interest in fishing, was a very proud veteran of World War I and an active Legionnaire, there's little doubt he would have liked the idea of such a thought in his memory.

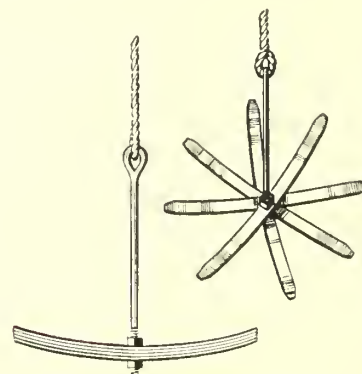
Jack's friends also set up a small trust fund to support annual cash prizes for the best catches reported by the veterans who use the tackle. But the prize for him would have been the look in the eye of each fellow as he landed his fish.

With September upon us remember to think about your hunting dog. Don't leave him in the kennel until the day before shooting opens, then take him out and expect miracles. He needs practice and polish, just as any athlete—just as you do. If you can, place him in the hands of a good trainer for a warmup before bird season. It wouldn't hurt your shooting eye either to take the shotgun out of the rack, wipe the oil off and get out and blast a few clay birds. It'll mean fewer live ones missed when you center on the real McCoy.

Although public pheasant shooting doesn't open this month, you can shoot that wily and fast flying bird to your heart's content. Many of the game preserves open September 15th and offer unlimited bags. If you are in doubt about preserves in your area, write to the Department of Conservation in the capital city of your state. They can tell you where the preserves are located and when they are open for shooting.

If you like to tinker, have a boat and like to fish maybe W. C. Rush's design for a light boat anchor that you can make with little trouble will appeal.

Rush says that you need three or four (depending upon your choice) short automobile spring leaves approximately twenty inches long, one piece of iron rod about twenty-four inches long and threaded two inches on one end, and two nuts to fit the threaded end of the rod.



The anchor is assembled by placing the spring leaves on top of each other, running one nut up on the threads of the rod and then putting the rod through the center holes of the spring leaves. The second nut is then placed on the rod. While in transport, the leaves of the anchor are lined up and this makes the whole thing into a light, compact anchor, easily stored in your car or boat. When in use, the spring leaves are spread so as to form the spokes of a circle.

If you have an unusual idea that pertains to hunting or fishing; one that is helpful to fellow readers of this column, send it along. If we can use it, we'll reward you with a hunting or fishing accessory. Address: OUT-DOOR EDITOR, Rod and Gun Club, *The American Legion Magazine*, 580 Fifth Avenue, New York 36, New York.



hesive tape so that they are as waterproof as possible. Better yet, solder them together. Now take a cord that is longer than the distance in depth that you want to mark and tie one end around the neck of the beer can; on the other end attach a heavy lead weight. Wrap the cord around the neck until you are up to the weight. Place the whole business on the boat seat beside you and toss it overboard when you have a strike. The weight will go to the bottom; the cans will float. For plainer marking, paint the can contraption a bright red or orange so it can be seen from a distance.

Did you know that by simply dropping a line to Remington Arms, Bridgeport, Connecticut that you can receive timely, free informational booklets on shooting? *How To Be A Crack Shot*, *How To Hit With A Handgun*, are just a couple of the interesting booklets recently handed out.



A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

K-BILL CHECKS SCHOOL CHEATING

Taxpayers' dollars are saved (and used better) as result of Korea-GI-Bill education law improvements over WW2-GI-Bill education, according to all observations . . . When 1st GI Bill passed, racketeering talents of educators and pretended educators were unsuspected . . . K-Bill was based on more experience in this field.

Racketeering schools now find K education gravy bowl quite narrow for their snouts . . . Simple requirement that they can't qualify to teach vets on Uncle Sam unless they show 15% non-GI enrollment is baffling store window universities. They have hard time finding 15 non-vets who will pay own way for phony or frivolous education, for every 85 vets sought.

Milder rackets of more distinguished schools were also stalled at end of K-Bill's first year. Letting the vet manage the money is doing the trick . . . Back when the schools passed out all the books to the students and billed the gov't, even some of the ivies peddled excess books, written by profs, sold by campus bookstores. It was dough the vet wouldn't get for any other purpose, and that Uncle would pay on school's say-so.

Now, gov't sends students fixed sums to help meet their school expenses. An unneeded book is that much less macaroni in Joe Vet's stomach, and alma mater's bookstore has hard time selling him five dictionaries in one language.

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SCHOOLS WANT K-VETS ANYWAY

Colleges are scrapping among themselves to get legit K-vets' expenses . . . Although the scrapping shows its sordid side mostly, the bigger picture of schools eager for vets is healthy . . . Now, some higher-tuition schools complain that K-vets pass them by, to seek out no-tuition public schools, where they can use the money they don't pay for tuition for better living—or bank it against graduate school years. There is some agitation for schools to collect the tuition from the gov't, even raise the ante to whatever tuition differentials require, provided vet doesn't handle the increase.

In another angle of schools eyeing coin in vets' pockets, some public, no-tuition colleges speak of charging K-vets a tuition fee, though non-vets accepted under same rigid academic selection would continue to get a free ride on city or state . . . If such proposals get pushed hard there will be some excitement. Neat rationales don't obscure basic proprietary attitude toward Federal moolah.

Schools that try to get control of money away from vets face awful hurdle . . . They had it that way once.

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CUT-RATE SCHOOLS APPEAR

Another segment of education has its own special outlook on the vet's control of his education money, and on the belief that K-vets will price-shop for learning . . . Direct mail advertising from some schools to K-vets now offers

special low tuition rates to them . . . Legion has not yet had a chance to check whether there are gimmicks in some of these offers, such as "other charges." Tuition is only a name, and a school can charge enough "extras" to give vet no real break at all. A K-vet should check this possibility before signing on dotted line—if economy is his motive for choosing school. He should check, too, for a phony "reduced tuition" that is no lower than in comparable schools, or is based on jacking up tuition charged non-vets to make an apparent "reduction." However, some pretty good schools are offering bargain tuition to K-vets.

Actually, evidence of K-vets shopping for low tuition above all else shows only a small drift that way so far. U.S. Office of Education survey comparing K-vets with five year trend of non-vets in higher education, shows a drift toward public colleges of only 1½ K-vets per school among 1859 schools, public and private.

Meanwhile, total K-vet enrollment is still small. Legion will definitely not support any basic changes in K-education before an appraisal of new school year enrollment trends is at hand.

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MANY K-VETS VAGUE ON CAREERS, VA CAN HELP

On the average, K-vets applying for job training seem more vague about what career to choose than were WW2 GIs, says a VA survey. Chief reason seems to be applicants so far are younger. But K-GI Bill demands student have more definite aims before job training is OK'd than did WW2 GI Bill.

VA says this survey has put it on its mettle to make its counseling service top-notch. Young vets who are vague about the training they want should take full advantage of VA counseling service. It doesn't tell vet what to study, but gives him skilled help in making up own mind.

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MORE DENTAL LASH-UP LIKELY

A rider to the 1954 VA appropriations bill put new restrictions on certain VA dental care. The rider applies to vets who seek dental care for service-connected dental disabilities that are rated less than 10% disabling. It applies to out-patient care (where you get treated without spending the night.) It says such vets seeking such care must prove they had the disability when discharged. Therein lies the making of several lashups.

1st . . . The law applies to Spanish War, WW1, WW2 and Korea vets. Many a vet will have a hot time proving anything about his dental condition at discharge. WW2 dental records aren't much. WW1 dental records are worse. There aren't any Spanish War dental records.

2nd . . . There are 270,000 claims for such care now pending, with 240,000 already approved under the old conditions. At press time, Congress had done nothing to prevent all of them from being re-worked to fit the new

conditions. Legion and House veterans committee were trying to exempt the 270,000 to spare gov't expense of a sweet pile of paper work. The new restrictions came from an appropriations committee seeking economies, and by-passed the House veterans committee.

3rd . . . The restrictions are tied to the use of 1954 VA appropriations, and thus are only effective for one year as now written—which leaves permanent dental policy in a vacuum.

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VA MEDICS READIED FOR BIG YEAR

With bigger medical operation budget, VA will put about 6,000 more hospital beds in use in 1954. On July 15, VA med chief Admiral Joel Boone alerted all hospitals to get ready to do bang-up job of increased care for vets. In his orders to hospitals to get humming, Boone emphasized sharpening the care and understanding of diseases of the aged. Geriatrics (health problems of the aged) is worth special VA attention, because vet population is a fixed group, growing older. VA medics will increasingly handle geriatrics cases in larger proportion than other MDs, said Boone, and they should become leaders in geriatric medicine.

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IKE SIGNS FLAG BILL

Pres. Eisenhower, on July 10, signed a new law prohibiting display of other flags above, or equal to the flag of the U.S. Law does not apply to official displays by the UN. Query initiated by Newsletter to Justice Dep't as to enforceability of the law's fine and imprisonment penalties outside of D.C. drew advice to seek official ruling from Att'y Gen. Newsletter didn't.

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K-VETS CAN GET FED JOBS BACK

Civil Service said, on July 29, that it had just regulated to the effect that any K-vet who left a federal job for military service can have same-job or its broad equivalent back if he wants. He must apply within 90 days of discharge. Such rights applied only to "permanent-type" Civil Service jobs until July 29, now apply to "indefinite-tenures" too.

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COST OF VET PROGRAMS KEEPS DROPPING

Total VA budget approved for 1954 is under \$4 billion (3.9). It is a significant figure. High point in VA budget was in 1947, when it nearly hit \$8 billion. New budget is 53% of 1947 budget, or 47% less. This year, last year and each year since 1947, VA budget has gone down, though nation has been busy making more veterans since 1950.

Year-after-year figures don't tally with the laments, still heard, that "mounting costs" of vets benefits are driving nation to the wall. In presence of facts, "mounting costs" are pure fiction.

Actual falling costs are tribute to the way huge sums allocated since WW2 were spent. No suggestion to "save money" by eliminating or hamstringing vets programs has stacked up to the long-range economy value of spending money in ways long endorsed by responsible veterans themselves. Unstinting programs to restore vets to health and self-sufficiency, regardless of short-range cost, have cut long-range cost, helped drive veterans and nation not to wall, but to prosperity.

Legion unsuccessfully opposed some items of past dollar cuts, but they were a mere ripple in ebb tide. Legion also promoted many items of saving, such as Public Law 148, (next item.)

AUTOMATIC RENEWAL FOR TERM INSURANCE

In Public Law 148, Congress has removed a sword from over the heads of vets with gov't term insurance. PL 148, Legion-sponsored, makes renewal of vets' gov't term insurance policies automatic when they reach end of their five-year terms. In the past, if a vet failed to write into VA for a renewal before the term expired, the policy halted and couldn't be retrieved. Vets can still drop policies on their own initiative. As before, the rates for each new five-year term go up a little.

Estimated saving of administrative costs under automatic renewal is \$600,000 a year . . . Altogether, 4 million policies of WW1, WW2 and Korea vets, are affected, of which 270,000 WW1 and WW2 policies have a term expiration coming up this year that will be automatically renewed . . . Legion Nat'l Executive Committee called for law last May 1. It was introduced in Congress June 11, became law July 23.

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28 GILA RIVER FARMS OPEN TO VETS

28 farms have been opened for settling by vets on the Gila River project, 45 miles from Yuma, Ariz. Farms range from 117 to 158 acres, and from \$481 to \$3,845 in price. Veteran settlers must have a priority of application for 3 months ending Nov. 25, and have served in WW1, WW2, Spanish-American War or Philippine Insurrection. Two years farming experience, good character, and a rock-bottom fund of \$5,000 in cash or assets are required. Application blanks and more info from District Mgr., Region 3, Bureau of Reclamation, Boulder City, Nev.

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WILL DEATH CLAIMS BE DECENTRALIZED?

Legion rehab experts say that under the "Gray plan" of VA reorganization, effective Sept. 7, there will be less reason than ever to process claims, resulting from the death of a veteran, in high VA echelons only. VA failure to "decentralize death claims" has long been a sensitive point among veterans service workers—who have felt it has caused needless delays in handling some types of claims.

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KOREA NOT A WAR

District Judge H. D. Evans ruled in Marengo, Iowa (July 28) that U.S. has not been at war in Korea. In this case, Iowa Life Insurance Co. lost battle not to pay double indemnity for death of Marine Ervin Langlas, a Korea casualty. The policy excluded double payment for a war death. Judge ruled it wasn't a war death, that only Congress can declare war and Congress hasn't . . . Different courts have ruled differently on different questions from time to time, regarding Korea conflict as a war.

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ARMY TELLS FINAL WW2 CASUALTIES

After 6½ years work, Dep't of Army has released a 118 page volume of final casualty figures for period Dec. 7, 1941 to Dec. 31, 1946 (WW2 official hostility era.) Army casualties added to 936,259 (Army and Army Air Corps) of 10,420,000 in those services. Nine percent of Army personnel were casualties. Dead were 318,274, of which 234,874 were combat-caused and 83,400 were not. Balance were captured, injured, missing in action. 24,098 of the missings were eventually returned to duty, while 6,058 of them were declared dead in Public Law 490, 77th Congress. 592,170 of all casualties were wounded in action, with 383,196 returned to duty in theater where wounded.

SEPTEMBER 1953

Legionwide Bravos Show For Oomph in Community Service

The Legion program (announced by Nat'l Cmdr. Lewis K. Gough, June 15) for long-term nat'l emphasis on more and better post community service projects, drew Legionwide support — as a program and as a continuing campaign — by Aug. 1.

Nat'l Hq. reported:

» Backing of the program for next year by each of 4 leading candidates for Nat'l Cmdr., if any one of the four is named to Legion's top post at Nat'l Convention in St. Louis, first week in Sept.

» A flow of reports from state Legion leaders, endorsing special new emphasis on community service, announcing they were pushing it personally in their states.

» More and more requests from posts and districts for nat'l literature on ways, means and examples re: accentuated community service.

It was too early for posts to report achievements actually inspired by the new national emphasis, but many cited past community projects and their beneficial results as reasons for their approval.

Quick to cite the program as an aim they'd push in 1954 were declared candidates for Nat'l Cmdr. Seaborn Collins (N.M.); Arthur Connell (Conn.); Lawrence Fenlon (Ill.) and Charles Larson (Wis.). It was a natural for all of them because (1) Community service is a bedrock Legion principle and (2) All four have long been personally identified with the theory that realistic hometown do-gooding is in fact the footing of desirable national strength and character. In addition, they spoke up in other ways for more and more community service.

Connell emphasized that the good will of Legionnaires' Main Street friends is "a bulwark" in Legion's perpetual striving on behalf of unfortunate comrades.

Fenlon pointed with just pride to pioneer work of Legion Nat'l Economic Commission in Legion-inspired community overhauls. Example: "The Story of Burnet, Texas," *Am. Leg. Magazine*, Jan. 1950. Fenlon is longtime Chmn.

of the National Economic Commission.

Larson attributed most of the esteem in which Legion is now held to the sum of past and present services "to community, state and nation." He added that the more Legion gives emphasis to such services, the better will it help "build that sound America" that is a common aim of all Legionnaires.

Collins emphasized that the strength and character of America and the Legion are inseparable from the strength and character of the towns that make America and the posts that make the Legion.

State Leaders Push Plan

Response was as quick to come from Legion state-level echelons.

Examples: James Whitfield (Adj., Mo.) advised he'd push community service in the Sept. issue of *Missouri Legionnaire*. Eugene Houck (Dep't Cmdr., Mich.) reported Michigan weighing set-up of state committee to deal with community projects only. Nat'l Exec. Committeeman Peter Thaanum (Me.) pumped for program at Maine Dep't convention. William C. Doyle (Dept. Cmdr., N. J.) made community service emphasis a highlight of all talks to N. J. Legion groups. Perce F. Brautigam (Dep't Cmdr., Ill.) promised Illinois would go "all-out" to step up hometown improvement programs.

Have Done and Will Do

Posts, units, districts, voitures would have to do the job, and that would take longer. They wrote, asking for more info, approving, telling what they had been and were already doing. Examples:

Post 797 (Yermo, Cal.) wrote Gough: "We're with you," and cited community social center and public rodeo grounds (\$5,500) just finished.

Post 55 (Ashford, Ala.) ordered 150 "Help Build Your Community" posters from Nat'l Hq.

40&8 Club (Springfield, Mass.) ex-

pressed interest, cited its social and hobby program for 850 residents over 65 years old.

Post 1 (Portland, Ore.) cited circus tickets provided for 9,000 under-privileged children.

Post 1487 (Uniondale, N. Y.) told of welcoming fact-sheet about Uniondale it provides to all new residents.

Post 240 (Prospect Park, N.J.) proudly sent a sampling of its over-all activity. The sampling was typical of what many posts do, even more of which is sought under national program. Post 240's sample was a mountain of news clippings of Post's many doings in standard and improvised Legion programs, nearly all of which have hometown meaning.



Little girl's smile and passing of \$\$\$ helps tell story of Legion Hospital for Crippled Children, St. Petersburg, Fla. Hand (right) of Paul Porter passes check for \$300.14 raised by Voiture 218, to hand of hospital head E. A. Roberts. Started 26 years ago by Post 14, big hospital was rebuilt in 1950. Legion units all over Florida chip in toward ¼-million-dollar yearly cost.

WASHINGTON:

A Lively Summer

July, a theoretically dead month on the lawmaking and administrative front, was well spiced with Washington news of Legion and veteran interest. It produced . . .

▶ A new VA administrator (Wisconsin's Legionnaire Harvey Higley).

▶ A new VA budget (basically good on the vital hospital and medical front, tricky for some veteran dental cases, nebulous regarding construction of some needed new hospitals, conceivably treacherous in area of pensions and compensation).

▶ A brand new Hoover Commission (undoubtedly once again to be headed by member Herbert Hoover) with more powers than the earlier one, which might or might not again provoke a controversy in vets' affairs by the time it hands in its final gov't reorganization ideas in 1955.

▶ An order out of the blue from Pres. Eisenhower for a recheck by the Administration on the idea of bringing UMT into being.

▶ Evidence—coming as a blessing in disguise—that many in Congress understand veterans affairs better than ever as a result of the five-month VA budget battle.

A Stirring for UMT

UMT seemed dead. It had hardly been mentioned since Election Day. The Executive said nothing. The Legislative said nothing. Now and then the Pentagon said: "Not now, maybe later."

Somehow, word got around that there was no point bringing the matter up. Not just now.

Meanwhile, reservists served twice and were available for a third go at active duty. All draftees were tossed into the reserve pool too. Double military duty for some, no duty for others remained the order of the day—a dubious standard for the defense of equality in human rights and responsibilities.

But on July 23, without warning, Pres. Eisenhower broke the silence. He made three fresh appointments (including Legion's Past Nat'l Cmdr. Warren Atherton) to his five-man Nat'l Security Training Commission, and asked it to report to him on the feasibility of UMT not later than Dec. 1.

Said Ike, ". . . It is the will of this nation that the responsibility for its defense should be shared as equally as possible by all its citizens . . ." He pinpointed today's double-duty law that sticks returned Korea vets with six more years of unasked reserve liability "while

thousands of our young men have not yet assumed any military obligation to their country." (Three weeks earlier, Nat'l Cmdr. Lewis K. Gough had publicly revealed the inequities of the present manpower law on these pages. Asked Gough: "Will the veterans fight the next war too?")

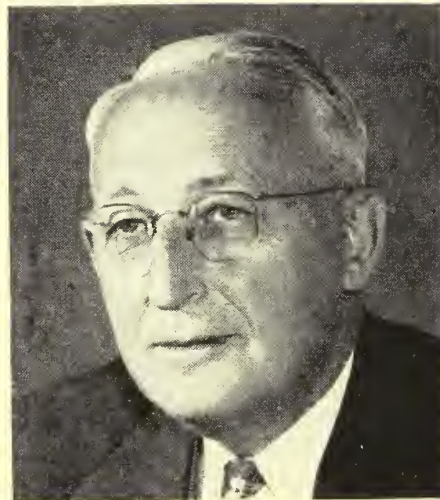
Besides Atherton, Ike named to his new UMT commission one new member and one old. Other newcomer is the *N. Y. Times'* pro-UMT Gen. Julius Ochs Adler. Old hand, reappointed, is pro-UMT Dr. Karl Compton, ex head of Mass. Inst. of Technology. Holdovers are Lt. Gen. Raymond S. McLain (ret.) and Adm. Thomas C. Kincaid (ret.).

Past Nat'l Cmdr. Atherton, notified of his appointment in Stockton (Cal.) where he is an attorney, said: "I hope I will be able to help in giving this country an efficient, economical and equitable system of national training."

VA Gets a New Boss

President Eisenhower on July 17 named a Wisconsin Legion Past Dep't Cmdr., Harvey V. Higley, to be Administrator of Veterans Affairs. Higley, 60, a resident of Marinette, Wis., succeeded Gen. Carl R. Gray, Jr.

Gen. Gray, a Truman holdover, rail-



Marinette's Higley . . . A new job

road expert and sometime whipping boy for VA critics, resigned June 1, effective June 30.

Senate quickly confirmed Higley's appointment. On July 22 he relieved H. V. Stirling, VA career official and acting VA head since July 1.

Vet leaders and legislators voiced general pleasure with the President's choice, expected Higley would be what Dr. ordered in hardbottomed, exposed VA hotseat.

Higley will preside over the taking effect, Sept. 7, of the "Gray plan" of VA

reorganization. It may work out OK, but Higley inherits low morale among VA folks worried about their personal standing under big shift. He also faces usual VA critics, and a new Hoover report.

Higley is pleasingly sociable. He is also:

1. **Well versed in management, public and private.** An official (1919) Ansul Chemical Co., in Marinette. Its president, 1938. Its Board Chmn., 1948 to date. A leader, in Marinette, of many public commissions and activities—banking, parks and recreation, commerce, education and public health, city planning.

2. **Backgrounded in veterans affairs.** 1st Lieut., Army chemical warfare, WW1. Member, Wisconsin Legion Post 39, Marinette. Commander, Wisconsin Legion Department, 1941-42. Legion Nat'l Executive Committeeman, 1943-44. Chairman, Marinette County Selective Service Board WW2. Chairman, Legion Nat'l Retirement Committee 1943-1948. One of his five children, Kenneth E. Higley, was killed while serving in Navy in WW2.

Higley is also: A Republican, an Episcopalian, a Kiwanian, an Elk, a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner. Born, Cheshire, Ohio, Oct. 26, 1892. Public schooled in Glen Ellyn and Wheaton, Ill. Grad., chemical engineer, U. of Wis., 1915.

Boomerang

In the long battle over 1954's VA budget, the new federal administration was hit hip and thigh with all the usual cliches aimed at smearing the nat'l vets' program. Aim: to pressure new hands—and old hands with new powers—into cutting off the VA program at the Treasury doors.

The propaganda campaign—exaggerating sour notes and brushing off serious problems—largely boomeranged when its steamroller stirred legislators and key administrators to look closer at vets' program than ever before. Out of the new look came new understanding, as many Congressmen saw the alleged abuses and the over-all picture in better proportion than ever.

Many on Capitol Hill switched from worrying how to get rid of vets to worrying how to take care of them better. In June, the House asked VA how much of a medical program it could run next year if money were no object, and how much it would cost. VA measured its plant, its personnel problems and its other headaches, named its top-capacity 1954 operating cost and got a House OK for the full sum for the first time in history.

In July, the Senate came through with OK of basic House version of VA

medical operating figure, though it made changes elsewhere.

At first, the Senate nixed all but \$2.5 million of a House figure of \$48.8 million for new hospital construction — to include long-awaited new hospitals at San Francisco and Topeka. Finally, in a compromise with a House committee, a figure of \$15 million went through for VA hospital construction. It would be enough for VA to start work if it can get new building under way next year, and served as symbol of Congress' intent to go ahead.

A rider in the final VA budget put new restrictions on many applicants for VA dental care for one year (details in Newsletter, P. 29). The Legion and the House veterans committee were unsuccessful at presstime in efforts to exempt from the new restrictions 270,000 dental claims affected which have already been filed and partially or wholly processed under the old law. Could be the paper work of rehashing all 270,000 claims will cost as much as a major part of the treatment applied for.

The Legion's Rehab Commission meanwhile warned service officers to keep an eye on the way another 1954 VA budget item will work out. \$300 million were knocked off the amount asked to pay pensions and compensation. Legally, VA sticks to no budget ceiling here—instead, pays fixed amounts to all who meet fixed eligibility standards. When the slashed budget falls short, Congress should restore whatever is needed. But Legion Rehab warned workers afield to watch for signs that VA may be pressured to make the lower sum stick by heaping technicalities on pension and compensation claimants.

New Hoover Commission

Two laws that passed Congress July 10 made veteran leaders think twice. They are Public Laws 108 and 109. Both have desirable stated aims (improved gov't management), but have a flavor that has soured easily in the past. Each law authorizes a commission to be appointed to study the functions and operation of the federal gov't and recommend broad changes.

PL 109 aims to discover and cut out overlapping of jobs done by both the federal government on one hand and by the states and smaller gov't units on the other. Possible danger sign seen by vet leaders was a potential to pass the federal veteran program down to the states, in whole or part.

Legion position, not different from present federal policy, calls for adequate vet program placed in national gov't. The position stands on two sturdy legs: (1) Vet program is based on individual's services to the federal gov't. (2) State assumption of basic federal debt to vets

would make an inconsistent, 48-headed vets program, with individual vet's rights hanging on pot luck of which state he lives in.

There was no sign that PL 109 would tend to shift the vet's program to the states, but the possibility was there and vet leaders made note.

PL 108 was a different-colored horse. It set up a new commission to recommend changes within federal agencies themselves, one of which is VA. The commission would make its last report to Congress and expire in May, 1955. Within a few days of the law's passage, Pres. Eisenhower named 79-year-old ex-Pres. Herbert Hoover to the new commission. It was a foregone conclusion that Hoover's fellow members would elect him chairman.

Here was a brand new Hoover Commission, with broader powers than the last one. Throughout veterandom, raised eyebrows asked mute questions. Vet leaders were quick to recall the treatment of the veterans' program by the Hoover Commission that reported to

frightened allegiance to the 1949 report.

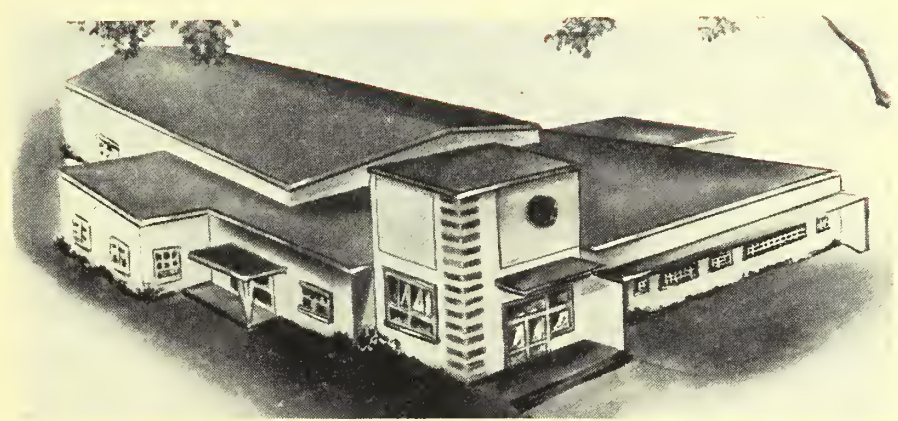
Vets recalled too that when the first Hoover commission passed out of existence in '49, it left behind an improbable legacy—a pressure group, using the commission's name, that sought to force Congress to legislate 100% of a report that Congress had paid for as a mere guidepost for its own deliberations.

Total result then: rejection of the commission's recommendations in vets affairs.

In July, 1953, facing a new Hoover Commission, vet leaders wondered, dubiously, if history would repeat itself. They hoped not, but it was too early to tell.

CHILD WELFARE Check No. 35,000

Summer was in the air, and the corn showed its green shoots against the rich, black southern Minnesota earth. The family cash was in the crops. Then the farmer, WW2 Navy veteran X*, was killed. Tractor accident.



Above is architect's sketch of new \$100,000 brick and tile home of Texas Post 25 and Arkansas Post 58. Long a dream, but now finished, home will serve also as a community center for bi-state town of Texarkana, on Texas-Arkansas border.

Congress and expired in 1949.

Then, when the commission turned its attention to veterans affairs, its "study" was made in comparative secrecy, without benefit of testimony from leading vets' organizations.

Its final recommendations called for decentralization of authority and responsibility in vets' affairs not unlike that which made chaos for the individual vet right after WWI.

The old Hoover report showed little understanding of the vets' program at the human level, suggested a management "ideal" that might hum in ponderous, decentralized, contented paper shuffling at the bureau level, but play "now you see him, now you don't" with the lone veteran.

Details of the 1949 Hoover report grossly exaggerated factual statements of trends and aims of the vets' program, thereby scared uninitiates into blind,

Widow X could not run the farm, scarcely even keep up the farmhouse without her man. The older child was 2½ years, the younger 1½ months and not even paid for. Final installment on the baby used up the last of the cash reserve. Without help, the wealth out in the fields would vanish. Without help the family would not hold together until harvest, even if there were a harvest.

A veteran's children were concerned. In the past, 34,999 checks drawn on Nat'l Legion Child Welfare funds had been given for similar emergencies.

Now, the only thing that made this case different was the number of the check. In Indianapolis, on July 15, Nat'l Legion Child Welfare employe Fred Kuszmaul dropped an outgoing letter in the mail basket, addressed to D. E. Misfeldt, Minnesota's Legion Child

*The Legion does not publicly identify, on its own initiative, recipients of Legion Child Welfare aid.

Welfare chairman. In it, a check for \$119 for Widow X.

It was the 35,000th check from Nat'l Legion Hq. for emergency relief involving a veteran's children since the start of the Legion's Child Welfare program in 1925.

In the Minnesota farm community, the local Legion post had already given \$100 of immediate aid for Widow X and her children before soliciting Nat'l for more. The men of the post had promised to harvest the widow's corn. The Legion Auxiliary unit was seeking a house in town for the mother and her children. The speedy \$119 from check 35,000 would keep the family together during the inevitable lapse while the local welfare agency finished its investigation, arranged for continuing aid.

Child Welfare checks out of Nat'l Hq. run between \$50,000 and \$100,000 a year. As check 35,000 went in the mail, Child Welfare's annual report was in the making. It showed 1953 hit an all-time high in total aid for veteran's children, with an all-Legion dollar figure of \$10,250,000 (10½ million). Of this, Nat'l direct aid was but a drop in the bucket. Where did the rest come from?

In miscellaneous, non-typical child relief, post, unit, district and department treasuries spent two million. In typical direct cash grants they anted another million. Auxiliary poppy money produced 1¼ million. The 40&8 and the 8&40 gave another million. Legion service officers and child welfare workers obtained four million in the interest of needy children from other agencies. And on all levels, the Legion gave another million for child relief to other agencies.

The dollar measure was the only yardstick. The total human story was invisible. Most of it happened, case by case, in the more than 17,000 communities where Legion posts and units are. Most Legion help was for temporary aid only, to keep economically broken families together pending permanent relief from regular agencies, which have mushroomed since 1925 with Legion support.

MEMBERSHIP:

Alexander Yelled

Lisle Alexander (Mich. Dep't Adj.) didn't yell too loud, but he definitely yelled when he read that Post 66, Pikeville, Tenn. was 1954's earliest bird. Pikeville's name led all posts on the roster of speed in handing in '54 membership in excess of '53. In fact, Pikeville did that on July 7, when Tennessee Dep't. Hq. got 275 paid-up cards for '54 from Pikeville—37 more than in '53.

Alexander, in his office overlooking the Detroit River and Canada, sat up.

Then he checked. Yes, Michigan's Merrick Potter Post 566 (Memphis, Mich.) had already sent in 63 paid-up cards for '54, an increase of 9 over last year. Alexander yelled. But not loud. His entry had also come in on July 7. Post 66 (Tenn.) and Post 566 (Mich.) had run a dead heat to be '54's earliest birds.

Jerry and Paddy Coming Fast

Pikeville and Potter posts could feel hot breath on their necks from an irregular entry. Jerry Sternberg wasn't a post, he was just one guy. On June 24, he had already signed 100 members for 1954 in Post 36, Savannah, Ga., to be the first one-man-gang to scoot past the century mark for '54. Jerry accounted for 400 members last year.

In Little Rock, Ark., Paddy Driscoll was one of many who eyed the likes of Sternberg, except that Paddy delegated



Driscoll and Tinka of Little Rock

the eyeing to Tinka. Paddy got 350 members for Post 1 in Little Rock last year, was ready to better that for '54, between his visits to VA hospital patients. Tinka is Paddy's seeing-eye dog.

Gough at it Early, Too

Nat'l Cmdr. Lewis K. Gough and candidate-to-succeed-Gough Arthur Connell (Conn.) weren't letting membership grass grow underfoot either. Connell, on a European trip earlier in year, came back with Clark Gable signed up.

Gough meanwhile readied national organization for '54 membership regardless of who succeeds him. He invited

officials of 58 dep'ts to a pre-convention huddle on '54 membership at St. Louis' Jefferson Hotel, Aug. 29-30. Object: to give incoming Nat'l Cmdr. a running start on membership. Annual membership campaign sometimes sputters during yearly change of Legion command.

Included in early-bird national kickoff meeting are talks by outside guest experts in selling; discussions of 1954 membership by key Legion officials; presentation of membership tools and techniques keyed to 1954 campaign; and a series of panel discussions, with Qs and As, by Nat'l and Dep't specialists in membership, public relations, publications and administration.

James E. Powers, Nat'l Membership and Post Activities Chmn., will preside. Speakers will include Nat'l Cmdr. Gough and at least one Past Nat'l Cmdr.

The '54 campaign has already been mapped out on the national level. One feature is a flip-page presentation to accompany a talk, suitable for district cmdrs. or membership chmn. to use in talks to posts. One to a district may be available, after the convention, from the Nat'l Membership and Post Activities Division at Nat'l Hq. in Indianapolis. They will be supplied, on request, to district officials indicated by departments.

'53 Closing Upward

On July 30, membership for 1953 was up 52,872 over last year. Total then, 2,772,426. July 28, Arizona became the 4th dep't to hit an all time high in '53. Arizona's new record is 16,716. As of June 30, Omaha Post 1, Denver Post 1 and Memphis (Tenn.) Post 1 ran 1, 2, 3 among posts in size, with 12,284 for Omaha, 11,150 for Denver and 6,774 for Memphis.

NAT'L CONVENTION: Big as Usual

The 35th Nat'l Convention (St. Louis, Aug. 31-Sept. 3) seemed well in hand at presstime, and too big, as usual, to pre-digest in detail. It loomed as another serious meeting, and as St. Louis' biggest meeting of one group ever.

Other highlights:

1) Speaker's roster (always subject to last minute changes) included Vice-President Richard M. Nixon.

2) For first time in history, CIO accepted invite, and its president, Walter Reuther, was set to speak, Sept. 3. George Meany, AFL President, is scheduled previous day. Meany's predecessor, William Green, addressed many Legion conventions.

3) Drum and Bugle Corps competition is

again predicted to be biggest ever. Last year's, in N. Y., set record with 108 outfits.

By mid-July, announced candidates for Nat'l Cmdr. in 1954 included, alphabetically, Seaborn Collins (N.M.); Arthur Connell (Conn.); W. C. Daniel (Va.); Lawrence Fenlon (Ill.); Charles Larson (Wis.); J. Addington Wagner (Mich.).

Although the convention was expected to have the serious, well-deported behavior of every all-Legion confab in recent history, Cmdr. Gough issued a reminder, July 20, "to avoid any action or appearance that would be offensive to good taste, thereby bringing discredit to our organization." Cliche that Legion conventions are rowdy lives on in face of opposite fact—as San Francisco, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, New York and Miami can testify.

Lady Legionnaires will hold a \$1.50-a-plate breakfast, at Famous Barr Co., 6th and Olive Streets, Monday, Aug. 31. For reservations and other info on lady Legionnaires' activities contact Chmn. of Women's Activities Lola A. Kuss, Apt. 306, 4497 Pershing Ave., St. Louis.

Arabic-speaking Legionnaires will find an open house held for them at Louie's Bar, 1011 South 18th St., by Jo-So-Na Memorial Post 526, St. Louis. The post members are of Lebanese ancestry.

At the last St. Louis Convention (1935), 65,000 marched in the parade. The figure may be doubled this year. The parade will be on Tuesday, Sept. 1.

Dave Fleischer manages the convention arrangements as exec. v.p. of the Convention Corp. Twelve hundred St. Louisians work on 28 committees in big job.

St. Louis was the site of Legion's organizing caucus, May, 1919.

AMERICANISM:

The 27th American Legion Junior Baseball World's Series will be held in Miami, Fla., Sept. 1-5, with Harvey W. Seeds Post 29 the sponsor.

With all games scheduled at night, the Junior Leaguers are expected to draw capacity crowds to Miami Stadium, home of the Florida International League Miami Sun Sox.

Tickets for the games and information can be had from Jim Barney, ticket manager for the series, with offices at 615 S.W. Second Ave., Miami. Miami's Joe H. Adams, Legion Past Nat'l Vice-Cmdr., is chmn. of 1953's American Legion Junior Baseball Committee, a part of the Nat'l Americanism Commission.

Subversion: July 26 Nat'l Cmdr. Lewis K. Gough named Arthur Wayne Murphy, 40, of Kokomo, Ind., as Americanism Commission's research specialist in subversion. Murphy replaces Karl

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LEGION NEWS

Baarslag, who resigned in June. New appointee is a grad of Butler U., a former Indianapolis and Nogales (Ariz.) high-school teacher, now completing PhD thesis at Georgetown U. on communism in U.S. Merchant Marine. He is a former chmn, Indiana Dep't committee on subversive activities, and was a Naval communications officer in WW2.

Boy's Nation: The 8th Boys Nation took place in Washington, D.C., July 24-30. Robert Langford, Bismarck, N.D., and Joe Blake, Denver, Colo., were elected President and vee, respectively. All told, 92 boys from 46 Legion Boys States took part, met Ike (who in 45 minutes shook hands with all), formed own Senate, got first hand view of workings of federal gov't and heard from top leaders in executive and legislative. James F. Daniel (Greenville, S.C.) and Harry Gambrel (Kansas City, Mo.), chmn, respectively of Legion Nat'l Americanism Commission and its Boys State Committee were on hand for whole program.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

New jobs & honors: Maj. Gen. William J. (Wild Bill) Donovan, member (from N.Y.) of 1st Legion Nat'l Exec. Committee, named by President to be U.S. Ambassador to Thailand, July 29... Past Nat'l Cmdr. Ray Kelley, Detroit, named member, federal Railroad Retirement Board... Past Nat'l Cmdr. Lynn U. Stambaugh (N.D.), named chief deputy, federal Export-Import Bank... Past Nat'l Cmdr. Warren Atherton, Stockton, Cal., named by President to Nat'l Security Training Commission... James M. Ross, USNR, member, Naval Post, Chicago, promoted to be one of few reserve Rear Admirals... Roger L. Dell, member, Post 30, Fergus Falls, Minn., named Chief Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court...

Seriously ill: Gen. Hanford MacNider, Past Nat'l Cmdr. (1920-21), stroke, at Mason City, Iowa.

Died: June—Maj. Gen. Roy Hoffman, 84, Past Dep't Cmdr., Okla... July—Otis E. Mercer, Nashua, N.H., head of nat'l 40&8 in 1945... Mark McGee, Past Dep't Cmdr., Texas (1924-25), Fort Worth, Tex... Bert A. Weston, Wendell, Idaho, ex-member, Nat'l Exec. Committee...

BRIEFLY NOTED:

Legion overseas tape-recording program "Hometown U.S.A." shouldn't lag with Korea armistice. May be more vital than ever with comparatively idle troops kept abroad.

Post 38 (Gary, W. Va.) is driving for more members in '54 than the population of Gary. Gary's pop. is 1500. Post

had 1438 last year. Post serves wide area.

Readers Digest in August has summary of case for UMT, by Dr. Karl Compton.

Gallup survey, which for years has shown huge majority of general population in favor of UMT, has now surveyed how people listed in *Who's Who in America* feel about it. Answer was same—a big majority for UMT.

Dep't of Texas has moved into its brand new home in Austin.

Dep't of West Va. has been temporarily homeless.

3rd edition of guide to college financial help for veterans' children, "Need a Lift?", now available through Nat'l Child Welfare, Legion Nat'l Hq., P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Ind.

Legion Contest Winners

Continued from our August issue

Remaining names of winners of Telechron Electric Clocks in Legion Puzzle Contest are listed below. Names of all other prize winners were given in the August issue, page 37.

S. M. Hageman, Detroit 26, Mich.; Mrs. Mabel Halyerson, Los Angeles 6, Calif.; Fred I. Hamner, Fremont, Ohio; Margaret Harrington, Wakefield, Mass.; George T. Harrison, New Haven 13, Conn.; A. J. Hart, San Miguel, Calif.; R. Hartney, Bristol, Conn.

Mrs. H. L. Heisser, Miami 37, Fla.; Eldon C. Heitman, Nauvoo, Ill.; Graydon O. Herod, Terre Haute, Ind.; John T. Higgins, Maynard, Mass.; James M. Hill, San Jose 12, Calif.; Roy W. Hill, Chicago 40, Ill.; Clinton Holt, Jefferson City, Mo.

Mrs. M. I. Hosmer, Birmingham 8, Ala.; Alfred C. Huffer, Jr., Boonsboro, Md.; Eugene W. Hunter, Tampa, Fla.; Griffith F. Jenkins, Sidney, Ohio; Lyle A. Jolson, Warren, Minn.; Montz S. Jolusen, Staten Island 14, N. Y.; Jacob C. Johnson, Black-shear, Ga.

Oliver Joneson, Los Angeles 18, Calif.; John Just, Detroit 3, Mich.; Claire Karambelas, East Orange, N. J.; Ed. E. Kieffer, Cincinnati 11, Ohio; Mrs. J. W. Kent, High Point, N. C.; R. P. Kessler, Canajoharie, N. Y.; Mrs. A. J. Killorin, Clinton, Iowa.

Maxime Kolkmeier, Fond du Lac, Wis.; H. H. Kreider, Lebanon, Pa.; Paul M. Kulhamer, Fullerton, Pa.; Elizabeth Langley, Harvey, Ill.; Samuel F. LaVerde, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; James R. Leidy, Buffalo 15, N. Y.; Mrs. Phyllis Lentz, Amherst, Ohio.

Homer Leonard, Vanderlip, W. Va.; Ellis W. Lesink, Elkton, Md.; A. E. Letsinger, Crown Point, Ind.; Henry C. Lewin, Key West, Fla.; Mrs. C. H. Lien, Merrifield, N. D.; Mrs. Marilyn Lilly, Henderson, Ky.; Marguerite Linn, Long Beach, Calif.

Fred Lofquist, Biwabid, Minn.; Elvira M. Lord, Hartford 5, Conn.; C. A. Lovejoy, Glastonbury, Conn.; John Luhtala, Cleveland 8, Ohio; Clair Lund, Byron, Minn.; Orrie W. Maasz, Warren, Pa.; Bruce MacCollom, Seattle 6, Wash.

Ray A. Mangieri, New Kensington, Pa.; Frank A. Marino, Clearfield, Pa.; Paul Marshall, Goodland, Kan.; M. L. McBride, Newman, Ga.; W. W. McGhee, Clarksville, Ark.; Edw. J. McDonough, Shreveport, La.; John S. McIsaac, Beaver Falls, Pa.

John R. McNeil, Miami, Fla.; Loretta Miller, Madison 3, Wis.; Major Irwin Milligan, Jacksonville Beach, Fla.; Sally June Mines, New York 33, N. Y.; Mrs. J. L. Mitchell, Fort Stockton, Tex.; Larry Mock, Robinson, Ill.; H. I. Monerud, Roseau, Minn.

Mrs. C. O. Mouness, LaCrescenta, Calif.; E. J. Morrison, Portage, Wis.; Fred G. Morse, Seattle 5, Wash.; Bettie L. Mortensen, Flushing, L. I., N. Y.; James L. Murphy, Chicago 39, Ill.; Anne Murray, Washington 7, D. C.; Clayton Nelson, Midland, S. D.

Jean P. Nickels, Arlington 6, Va.; Howard P. Nielsen, Castana, Iowa; Carl T. Nomeland, Granite Falls, Minn.; Nels Olson, St. Paul 6, Minn.; Cornelius F. O'Neill, Northampton, Mass.; E. M. Osgard, Detroit 6, Mich.; Janet Owens, Fort Myers, Fla.

Walter J. Paddock, Buffalo 20, N. Y.; Charlotte M. Paine, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Carl B. Parks, Des Moines 15, Iowa; H. L. Patterson, Chicago 10, Ill.; H. W. Pedersen, Columbus Junction, Iowa; Charles W. Pekar, Altoona, Pa.; Mrs. Edward Persen, Forestville, Conn.

Joseph Effeider, Forest Hills 75, N. Y.; Dorothy Phelps, Jacksonville, N. C.; R. J. Pitcher, Raymond, N. H.; James H. Pye, Chicago 39, Ill.; Homer A. Quinn, Salem, Ore.; Ann Rath, Morris-town, N. J.; H. L. Reycroft, W. Hartford 7, Conn.

Walter Michael Rhoten, Hampstead, Md.; William L. Riley, Baltimore 7, Md.; Mrs. Mary Ritter, Streator, Ill.; Rhodes T. Runner, Logansport, Ind.; Mrs. Mary D. Ryan, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Edgar H. Ryniker, Brooklyn 3, N. Y.; Mrs. E. W. Sampson, Philadelphia, Pa.

Herman Sanders, Hillsboro, Tex.; Mrs. Anne N. Sauve, New York 61, N. Y.; Stanley S. Schaefer,

Foeckler and \$10,000 check



Ten thousand dollars first prize in Legion's Puzzle Contest saved Frank Foeckler from selling his Washington, D. C. home. The 57-year old WW1 vet, after five years in hospitals, is due for discharge in October from VA hospital, Swannanoa, N. C. With wife and six kids to support, finances were big worry. Now he looks forward to return to Navy Yard job and buddies in Washington, D. C. Post 31.

Detroit 2, Mich.; George G. Schaeffer, Inglewood 3, Calif.; George Schoonmaker, Larchmont, N. Y.; Lols A. Schweitzer, Mechanicsburg, Pa.; Mrs. F. W. Seelon, Cranston 9, R. I.

Mrs. B. W. Shaw, Waunakee, Wis.; James P. Sheehan, Denver 18, Colo.; Harvey A. Shook, Duluth 5, Minn.; William F. Shollenberger, Girard, Pa.; C. P. M. Simpson, Wescoesville, Pa.; Charles Sjostrom, Valley City, N. D.; James F. Somers, El Paso, Texas.

George M. Speed, Dora, Ala.; Alfred P. Smith, New York 16, N. Y.; Blake Smith, Jr., Brooklyn 16, N. Y.; Theodore S. Smith, Waccabuc, N. Y.; Mrs. Roy Steurt, Hemet, Calif.; Estelle Stewart, Glendale 7, Calif.; Mrs. Jean R. Steele, Bluefield, Va.

Ray Stivers, Kansas City 3, Mo.; Philip M. Sutton, Elmira, N. Y.; Bonsall Sykes, Clintwood, Va.; Kenneth J. Swanson, McPherson, Kan.; Mrs. N. S. Tanner, Pine Bluff, Ark.; George Teresinski, St. Joseph 32, Mo.; Pat Testa, Southington, Conn.

James P. Thomas, Albuquerque, N. M.; Wallace A. Tompkins, Thomasville, Ala.; Kathryn J. Thompson, Asheville, N. C.; Mrs. Alan Thompson, Tucumcari, N. M.; Marvin W. Thompson, Toronto, S. D.; C. Lawrence Toney, Peru, Ind.; Mrs. Mary Totzke, Detroit 3, Mich.

Mrs. Goldie Trisler, South Gate, Calif.; F. A. Turberville, Prescott, Ark.; K. Urquhart, Tucson, Ariz.; Nicholas Vador, Long Beach 4, Calif.; Miss Lucy T. Vash, Baltimore 29, Md.; V. E. Virrick, Miami 43, Fla.; Clarence M. Waite, Greenbush, Mass.

Edw. F. Weber, St. Louis 16, Mo.; Donald E. Welch, Bartlesville, Okla.; Hermann A. Wenige, Jeffersonville, Ind.; Chas. D. Wilson, Stark City, Mo.; Craig Willis, Thomaston, Ga.; Dwight L. Wilson, Swannanoa, N. C.; Milo F. Winchester, Milerton, N. Y.

James L. Winfrey, Williamsburg, W. Va.; Darrell S. Winters, Fallon, Nev.; W. Rodney Wishard, Western Springs, Ill.; Edwin C. Wood, Durant, Okla.; J. C. Woods, Park Ridge, Ill.; Laura Woodrick, Elroy, Wis.; O. Wormsted, Calexico, Calif.

Mrs. J. Hillard Yeager, Ringtown, Pa.; Alexander Youngerman, Miami Beach 40, Fla.

OUTFIT REUNIONS

Army

91st Div.—"Powder River Outfit"—35th annual reunion, Seattle, Wash. Sept. 26th; Seattle Chamber of Commerce Building, 215 Columbia St. Details from H. G. Oakley, 3458 Florence Court, Seattle 2, Wash.

319th Engineers Vets. Assoc.—Annual reunion Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 29th, Roger Young Auditorium. Info from Col. C. W. Ottwell 14,444 Magnolia Blvd., Van Nuys, Cal.

26th Engrs. AEF—Annual reunion, St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 31-Sept. 3. Contact secy. A. A. Fricke, 1136 W. 6th St., Los Angeles 17, Cal.

National Organization of World War Nurses—Reunion breakfast St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 2; Edgewater Club. Info and reservations from Lola A. Kuss, Apt. 101, 4616 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis 8, Mo.

Co. G, 152nd Inf. 38th Div.—Reunion New Castle, Ind., Sept. 4-5; New Castle Armory. Details from John W. Trout, Jr., 1837 Cherry Wood, New Castle, Ind.

114 Construction Bn., Co. D and CBMU 629—Reunion, New York City, Sept. 4-5. Contact Jess Newcomer, 142 Maple St., Manchester, Pa.

137th Ord. Maint. Bn., 16th Armored Div.—7th annual reunion, Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 4-6. Info. from W. A. McBroom, 3007 Fifth Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.

613th O. B. A. M. Bn.—7th annual reunion and convention, Milwaukee, Wisc. Sept. 4-7; Ambassador Hotel. Details from Le Roy C. Steiner, 1924 No. 39th St., Milwaukee, Wisc.

3521st Ord. (MAM) Co.—1st reunion, Jackson, Miss., Sept. 5-7; Heidelberg Hotel. Write Morton C. Stewart, P.O. Box 1884, Meridian, Miss.

256th Engr. (C) Bn. WW 2—4th annual reunion South Bend, Ind., Sept. 5-6; Hotel LaSalle. Contact John G. Inman, Pres., 2008 6th Avenue, Beaver Falls, Pa.

2nd Bn., Hq. Co., 165th Inf., 27th Div. WW 2—Reunion, Monticello, Ind., Sept. 5-6; Lake Shafer. Write Earl Bretzinger, Brook, Ind.

579th CBMU—Reunion, Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 5-6; Manhart Post 391, American Legion. Details from C. B. Hammond, Box 164, Mineral, Cal.

2487th Q. M. Truck Co.—5th annual reunion, Wichita Falls, Texas, Sept. 5-7; Holt Hotel. Info. from Jim Jones, 3404 Garfield, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Co. C, 17th Tank Bn., 7th Armored Div. (WW2)—6th annual reunion, Rock Island, Ill., Sept. 6th; Home of Herbert Clauson, 540 23rd Ave., Rock Island, Ill.

56th Reg. C. A. C. (A.E.F.)—35th annual reunion, Stamford, Conn., Sept. 6. Write C. H. B. Andersen, 28 Fara Drive, Stamford, Conn.

42nd and 77th Evac. Hospitals (WW2)—6th annual reunion, Statesville, North Carolina, Sept. 6; Vance Hotel. Contact Edd Lambert, Route 6 or Lee Fincannon, P.O. Box 332, Statesville, N. C.

284th F. A. Bn. (WW2 E.T.O.)—7th annual reunion, Washington, Pa., Sept. 6; 28th Div. Armory. Reunion Chairman Lloyd Koglin, 250 Tyler Ave., Washington, Pa.

605 T. D. Bn.—Reunion Lake Lansing, Mich., Sept. 6; Lake Lansing Park. Details from Al Bachelder, 804 W. Jefferson St., Grand Lodge, Mich.

Battery B, 326 F. A. (WW1)—14th annual reunion, Louisville, Ky., Sept. 6; Chateau of Forty and Eight, 617½ So. Fourth St. Contact Chester Brown, Box 112, Cynthiana, Ky.

61st CA (AA) and 634th, 635th, 184th Bns.—5th annual reunion, Highland Park, Ill., Sept. 6; American Legion Hall, 1957 Sheridan Road. Info. from Melvin James, 1032 Springfield Ave., Deerfield, Ill.

223 Combat Engr. Co.—Annual picnic, Albert Lea, Minn., Sept. 6; Edgewater Park. For details write Ralph Stattler, Kerkhoven, Minn.

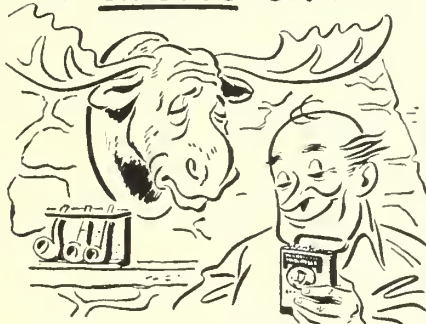
319th Field Signal Bn.—Annual reunion Sept. 6 at Sunset Park, Route 44 between Canton and Alliance, Ohio. Secretary J. W. Robe, 605 River St., Newcomerstown, Ohio.

342nd Field Artillery Band—Reunion, Marysville, Kansas, Sept. 7. Write Richard Hover, Marysville, Kan.

Military Police Companies, 88th Div. (WW1)—16th annual reunion, Brainerd, Minn., Sept. 12-13; Graen Lodge, Gull Lake. Details from Albert J. Meyer, Cumberland, Iowa.

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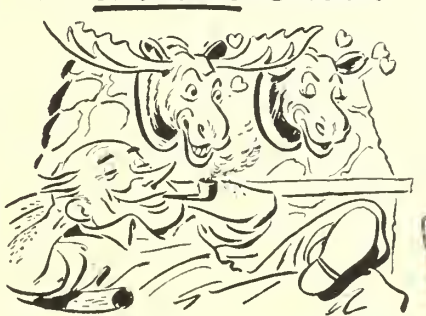
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- 22nd Infantry, Co. C (WW1)**—Want to contact Pvt. Julius Simon, Pvt. Costurka and Cpl. Adams. Needed to establish claim. Write **H. Honig**, Box 1175, Grand Central Station, N. Y. City.
- 76th Field Artillery, Bat. D. (WW1)**—Comrades who remember **Theodore Beatty**, better known as "the Kid", being gassed at Chateau-Thierry about Aug. 8, 1918 need to be heard from relative to establishing claim. Write American Legion Service Officer, P.O. Box 3198, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 6960 Reinforcement Depot, 6961 Reinforcement Bn., 2946 Reinforcement Co. (WW2)**—Want to hear from former comrades who served with me. Statements needed to establish service disability claim. Write **William T. Heit**, Bedford, Pa.
- A.P.O. 248, Hq. & Hq. Co., Exchange Section (WW2)**—Urgently need to hear from men who served with me and knew of my nervous condition. Especially Major Umstead and Staff Sgt. Pat Tee. Claim pending. Write **Marshall Shepherd**, 175 25th St. Pl., S.W., Hickory, N. Car.
- 510 MP Bn. (WW2)**—Contact with man named White, who crossed English Channel latter part of August, 1944 on Queen Bertha, needed to establish claim. Write **J. G. Weiss**, Marshfield, Wis.
- 99th Div., 395 Regt., Co. A (WW2)**—Would like to hear from buddies who served with me and remember last night on the lines (May 2, 1945 near Munich). Statements needed for disability claim. Write **Kenneth L. Walker**, 418 Perez St., Las Vegas, New Mexico.
- Ft. Francis E. Warren, Wyo., 3rd Q.M.T.R., Co. H**—Need to hear from Dr. A. C. Felburn who treated me for a hand injury on July 7, 1942 at 3rd Dispensary, and from any others who knew of my hand injury. Statements needed to establish service connection. Write **Henry J. Fletcher**, 223 S.W. 14th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
- 490th A.A.A., Bat. C (WW2) and 5th Div., 46th Bat., Co. A and 783 Field Artillery, Bat. B**—My ear condition in service, well known to many buddies, has resulted in prolonged and serious illness. Service medical record doesn't show it, and VA requires statements from comrades to establish service connection. Will any comrades who remember it please write. I was at Camp Stewart, Ga., Camp Davis, N.C., Camp Polk, La., Camp Robinson, Ark., Camp Bowie and Hood, Texas, and Camp Campbell, Ky. Write to former gunner and squad leader **Raymond A. Livezey**, 432 E. 23rd St., San Angelo, Texas.
- 179th Ordnance Heavy Automotive Maintenance Co. (WW2) Philippines, Luzon**—Widow of Joseph W. Behrend needs to contact men who knew him in service for information required to establish widow's pension. Write **Mrs. Joseph W. Behrend**, Parkston, S. D.
- 7th Div., 56th Inf. Reg., Co. I (WW1)**—Need to contact Major (Med.) Charles J. Muru, (then of Newark, N. J.) for statement that he treated me when I was wounded, and others who remember my wound: Capt. Moody (Co. I), Salem, N. C., Lt. Cissel (Co. K), Tipton, Md., Capt. McGuire (Co. L), N. Y. C., Capt. Wolfley (Co. M), Lake Charles, La. Write former Cpl. **John M. Byrne**, V.A. Center, Biloxi, Miss.
- Fort Warren, Wyoming (WW2)**—Would like to contact dental officer who extracted my teeth in the post hospital late in the summer of 1942, or anyone who knows the circumstances. Records lost and statements needed for claim. I was post Chaplain then. Write **Frank R. Myers**, 802 Live Oak St., Coleman, Texas.
- Louisiana Maneuvers (1940): Jefferson Barracks, Mo., 6th Infantry, Co. H**—Suffering prolonged after-effects of malaria contracted on maneuvers but records don't show it, and statements needed from buddies and medical personnel. Can I hear from following: Capt. Tax (med. officer who treated me); corpsman (name unknown to me) who rode with me in ambulance and set up tent for me at night; med. officer at Jefferson Barracks who treated me six weeks and had my swollen joints X-rayed; Capt. Sullivan, dentist there; 1st Sgt. Ruark; Sgt. Beckmeyer; Sgt. Chas. A. Tucker; Cpl. Wm. Davis; Sgt. Chas. Walker; Sgt. Banister and Sgt. G. Genda. Write **Oscar L. Pembroke**, Navajo Mission School, Holbrook, Ariz.

- 33rd Field Hospital**—Annual reunion, Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 12-13; Lincoln Hotel, Write E. W. Code, 847 So. Tremont Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.
- 51st Pioneer Inf.**—30th annual reunion, Catskill, N. Y., Sept. 13th. Write Sec. Otto Rauch, 186 Adams St., Delmar, N. Y.
- Battery A, 281 F. A.**—Reunion, Louisville, Ky., Sept. 17-19; Hotel Seelbach, Info. from R. J. Droppelman, 1309 Ellison, Louisville, Ky.
- 19th C. B. Vets. (WW2)**—Annual reunion, Boston, Mass., Sept. 17-19; Hotel Bradford, Contact K. R. Pike, 965 Broad St., W. Lynn, Mass. or G. Winterling, 23 E. Orange St., Lancaster, Pa.
- 729th Railway Operating Bn.**—4th annual reunion, Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 18-19; Hotel Phillips. Details from A. H. Colello, Sec., 1426 1st Ave., Altoona, Pa.
- 4th Cavalry Assoc.**—Reunion, Chicago, Ill., Sept. 18-19; Hotel Congress. Write Mylo J. Loberg, Annandale, Minn.
- Co. G, 410th Inf., 103rd Div.**—Reunion, Chicago, Ill., Sept. 18-20; Hotel LaSalle. Details from A. J. Thocming, 2512 Burr Oak Ave., Blue Island, Ill.
- 166th F. A. Regt., and 938th and 939 Bns.**—6th annual reunion, New Providence, Pa., Sept. 19. Contact Charles H. Rehm, New Providence, Pa.
- 36th Tank Bn.**—Annual reunion, New York City, Sept. 19; Hotel Astor. Write Alexander J. Woehle, 111 Van Schoick Ave., Albany, N. Y.
- Batteries B & C Assoc., 156th F. A. (WW2)**—5th annual reunion, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Sept. 19; State Armory. Reservations from San Ciofi or Les Treby, N. Y. State Armory, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
- Co. A, 109th Engrs. (WW1)**—Reunion, Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 20th. Write G. Whitmore, 6507 Delmatro St., Des Moines 11, Iowa.
- 751st Tank Bn.**—5th annual reunion, Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 25-27; Biltmore Hotel. Info. from R. Liebold, Chrmn., 4216 Cleveland Ave., Dayton, Ohio.
- 316th F. S. Bn.**—35th annual Argonne Day Dinner, San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 26; Montclair Restaurant, 550 Green St. Reservations from R. Howry, 351 Turk St., San Francisco, Cal.
- 313th Inf., 79th Div. AEF (WW1)**—35th reunion dinner, Baltimore, Md., Sept. 26; Lord Baltimore Hotel. Open house Montfaucon Post all day. Info. from Carroll Jone, 302 Gittings Ave., Baltimore 12, Md.
- Vet. Guard Battery B, 112th H.F.A.**—Reunion, Camden, N. J., Sept. 26th; Kenney's Restaurant, 531 Market St. Contact M. L. Atkinson, Sec., 1020 Linwood Ave., Collingswood, N. J.
- 796th AAA AW Bn. (SP)**—1st reunion, New York City, Sept. 26; Brass Rail Restaurant, 7th Ave. and 48th St. Write for reservations in advance to L. Davidson, 53-41 205th St., Bayside 64, N. Y.
- 3038th Ord. Base Auto. Main., 140th Ord. Bn.**—10th anniversary reunion, New York City, Oct. 2-4; Hotel New Yorker. Details from M. Klein, 10 Berkeley Ter., Irvington, N. J.
- Ice Plant Co., No. 301**—Reunion, Chicago, Ill., Oct. 3; Furniture Club, 666 Lake Shore Drive. Contact E. E. Telford, R. R. #1, Gassville, Ark.
- 252nd F. A. Bn.**—6th annual reunion, Chicago, Ill., Oct. 3; 3204 N. Kostner Ave., Info. from H. C. Zien, 5246 W. School St., Chicago 41, Ill.
- 2nd Bn., 129th Inf.**—5th annual reunion, Joliet, Ill., Oct. 3; Cantigny Post 367 V.F.W. Write W. E. Mau, 714 South St., Lockport, Ill.
- 328th Inf. Regt., 26th Inf. Div. (WW2)**—Reunion, New York City, Oct. 3-4; Hotel Woodstock. Contact Father Bransfield, Holbrook, Mass.
- Artillery Hdqs. Btry., Americal Div.**—Reunion, New York City, Oct. 10. Details from L. Kapit, Chrmn., 195-06, 47th Ave., Flushing 58, N. Y.
- Battery B, 68th Regt. C. A. C. (WW1)**—Reunion, Joliet, Ill., Oct. 11; V.F.W. Post 367, Horse-shoe Drive. Write J. C. Kehm, Mendota, Ill.
- 201st Inf. Regt.**—Reunion, Morgantown, W. Va., Oct. 10-11. Details from Richard Davies, Box 201, Morgantown, W. Va.
- 552nd Ord. Co. (H. M. Tk.)**—8th annual reunion, Allston, Mass., Oct. 17; 406 Cambridge St. Reservations and info. from J. Woods, 35 Mt. Everett St., Dorchester 25, Mass.
- Co. D, 148th Inf., 37th Div.**—Reunion, Oak Harbor, Ohio, Oct. 17-18. Write John Nagy, 322½ East Third St., Port Clinton, Ohio.
- 309th Heavy F. A. Vets of WWI—Armistice Dinner**, Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 7; Doud Post Memorial Home, 898 Buffalo Road. For reservations write R. C. Welter, Chrmn., 64 Long Acre Road, Rochester 21, N. Y.

Air

- 9th Fighter Squadron, 49th Fighter Group**—Reunion, Chicago, Ill., Sept. 5-7; LaSalle Hotel. Write R. W. Killian, 906½ Talma St., Aurora, Ill.
- 555th Red Devil Squadron**—10th anniversary reunion, Washington, D. C., Sept. 5-7. Chrmn. J. T. McQueeney, 5603 Hamilton St., Hyattsville, Md.
- 372nd Aero Sqdn. (WW1)**—24th reunion, Vallejo, Calif., Nov. 7. Inquiries to John H. Parker, 1209 Ohio St., or Jos. E. Valencia, 820 Marie St., Vallejo, Cal.

MISSING IN KOREA

- 24th Inf. Div., 19th Inf. Regt.**—My son, Pvt. Emil E. Wallace was reported missing in action July 16, 1950, and two years later declared dead. Will any buddies who were with him, or know what happened to him please write his mother? Write Mrs. Gertrude Wallace, Box 773, Ontario, Ore.
- 15th Inf. Regt., Co. G**—I would like to hear from anyone who served with Pvt. Charles Haste, reported killed in action, June 15, 1953. He was stationed at "Outpost Harry" when last heard from. Write Miss Mickie Stover, 130 Oak Creek Terrace, Corvallis, Ore.
- 24th Div., 21st Inf. Regt., Medical Corps**—My son, Charles L. Andrews was reported missing in action July 12, 1950. Last seen five miles north or Chockiwon, South Korea. Will anyone having information concerning him please write Mrs. Ethel Andrews, 106 North St., Gloversville, N. Y.?
- 35th Inf. Regt., Co. F**—Will anyone who has information about Cpl. Joseph Kisela please write his mother? Cpl. Kisela was reported missing in action Nov. 27, 1950, in vicinity of Unsong. Write Mrs. Vera Kisela, 542 Troutwine St., Centralia, Pa.
- 21st Inf. Regt., 1st Bn. (Task Force Smith)**—Any of his fellows who know anything of Harold A. Johnson, reported missing shortly after Task Force Smith landed at Pusan July 1, 1950, please contact his father. Write Andrew F. Johnson, Route 3, Waynesboro, Miss.
- 19th Infantry Regt., Co. A**—Will anyone who knew PFC Larry D. Dunn, known as "Catfish", who was reported missing in action in retreat from Kum River, July 16, 1950, please write his mother? Write Mrs. Amon Dunn, Grandview, Washington Co., Ohio.
- 31st Inf. RCT, Co. C**—Would appreciate any information of our son, Cpl. Robert K. Mathis, missing in action Oct. 14, 1952 on Jane Russell Hill. Write Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Mathis, Woonsocket, South Dakota.
- 25th Inf. Div., 35th Inf. Regt.**—Parents would like to hear from anyone who knew our son, Pvt. Donald Lee Schaefer, who was killed somewhere on the Pusan perimeter, July 29, 1950. His chaplain was killed on the same date, so we have never had details of our son's death. Please write Mr. and Mrs. Laneer J. Schaefer, 907 S. Buchanan St., Marion, Ill.
- 24th Div., 19th Inf. Regt., Co. K**—In two years since he was killed in action we have never heard from anyone who knew my brother, Cpl. Robert W. Manly. He was reported killed June 27, 1951, near Chokkun-San, North Korea. Will someone who knew him in Korea please write Mrs. Mary L. Duras, 172 Rosehill Drive, Chicago 26, Ill.?
- 31st Inf. Div., 3rd Bn., Hq. Co.**—Parents would like to hear from service comrades who knew PFC Howard E. James, missing Nov. 28, 1950 at Chosan Reservoir. Write Mr. and Mrs. Bryce James, Box 404, Dunbar, Pa.

Navy and Marines

- U.S.S. Mount Vernon Assoc.**—35th annual reunion and dinner, Boston, Mass., Sept. 5; Hotel Lenox. Contact L. A. Sands, 18 Symmes St., West Medford 55, Mass.
- 63rd Sea Bees**—6th Reunion, Chicago, Ill., Sept. 5-7; St. Clair Hotel. Write L. H. Clausen, 2932 Bleden Ave., Chicago 47, Ill.

Navy

CBMU 530 and CBMU 524 (WW2)—Will anyone who remembers my stomach trouble on Ewa, Oahu and Midway Islands in 1944-45 please write, as I need statements for a claim. Particularly Hank Warburg, Tacoma, Wash.; Don Lane, San Diego; Pat Patterson, Klamath Falls, Ore.; Pat Nagel, Bob Stevenson and Bill Keating, all of Mass.; John Cardiello, Tom Seaman and Curly Artman, all of N. J.; Tiny Bussman, Santa Rosa, Cal., and George Caldwell, Dennison, Texas. Write **Joe Meehan, Jr.**, 370 Kearny Ave., Kearny, N. J.

U.S.S. Black Douglas, Pier 91, Seattle, and Naval Rec. Sta., Bremerton, Wash. (WW2)—Robert Struthers GM2c was killed in auto accident April 3, 1942. Will anyone who knew if he carried insurance please write **Betty Struthers Thomas**, Rt. 2, Box 69, Raymond, Wash.?

Midway Island Submarine Base, E & R Shop (WW2)—Wish to hear from Lee McLaughlin, Charles Maggs, Herbert Garcia, Jimmy Spotts, Donald Rieser, or any others who knew me at Midway Island in 1943 or 1944. Need statements to prove claim. Write **Edward J. Dumas**, 921 West Arnold St., Marshfield, Wis.

SS Lookout Mountain (WW2)—Need to contact H. E. Murphy, who was Lt. (jg) on the Lookout Mountain in 1945. Statement needed for claim of William E. Sheppard. Write **Robert L. Dendy**, County Service Officer, McCormick, S. C.

Air

1126 MP Co. AVN (WW2)—Need to locate Joseph Pucciarello (N. J.); Virgil Strawn (Okla.); John Wilkinback (Detroit) and Rob't H. Lewis (Charlotte, N. C.) to obtain statements needed for service connected disability. Will they, or anyone knowing them, write **Wilburn L. Allen**, Rt. 3, Clarksville, Ga.?

49th Air Depot Group, Hq. & Hq. Sq. and 38th Air Depot Group (WW2)—Will anyone who served with Paul L. Phillips, of Russell, Kansas, while at Nichols Field, Manila, or in Australia during WW2 who has any knowledge of any hospitalization, medical attention or disability he might have received, please write? Pension for widow and three small children depends on such information. Write **Mrs. Myrtle Phillips**, 321 Pattie Ave., Wichita, Kan.

AAF Pilot School, PAAF, Pecos, Texas (WW2)—Anyone who knew Lt. John P. Mazan in 1943, 1944 or 1945 please write. Information needed to establish disability claim. Write **Mrs. Lawrence Mazan**, 120 State St., Rutland, Vt.

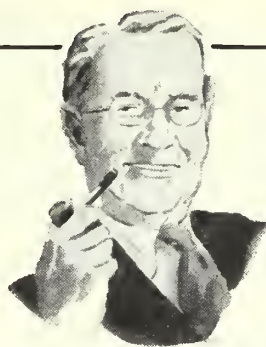
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Inventories	350,774.39
Invested Funds	1,056,641.28
Permanent Trusts:	
Overseas Graves Decoration Trust Fund	\$ 254,659.64
Employees' Retirement Trust Fund	1,268,255.60
	1,522,915.24
Real Estate	973,972.65
Furniture and Fixtures, less Depreciation	271,063.02
Deferred Charges	64,840.19
	\$5,097,031.44

LIABILITIES, DEFERRED REVENUE
AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities	\$ 308,126.62
Funds restricted as to use	122,387.00
Deferred Income	1,055,889.24
Permanent Trusts:	
Overseas Graves Decoration Trust	\$ 254,659.64
Employees' Retirement Trust	1,268,255.60
	1,522,915.24
Net Worth:	
Restricted Capital:	
Reserve Fund	23,852.30
Restricted Fund	17,939.98
Reserve for construction Wash. Office	44,615.96
Real Estate	973,972.65
Reserve for Rehabilitation	317,941.07
Reserve for Child Welfare	20,627.54
	1,398,949.50
Unrestricted Capital:	
Excess of Income over Expense	688,763.84
	2,087,713.34
	\$5,097,031.44



From where I sit by Joe Marsh

Bad Case of the "Ztutters"

Our copyboy here is out sick. So the editor (me) is taking over some of his chores this week—which include running the addressing machine on "mailing-out night."

But yesterday I discovered that I didn't have the usual number of papers left over for sale at the office. Couldn't figure what had happened—until Chub Zimmer called to ask why he'd gotten 56 copies.

Then I realized—"Zimmer" is the last name the machine prints. Guess I forgot to turn it off . . . and it just kept grinding out Chub's name on all the remaining copies. That machine just didn't know when to stop.

From where I sit, people are like that machine sometimes. They often don't know when to stop. Like those who are prejudiced against someone with an accent, perhaps . . . or against someone else who likes a cool bottle of beer with his supper. So, in these columns I try to persuade everyone to "throw the switch" on prejudice so it won't get repeated.

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HOW NOT TO MISS 'EM

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shots taken with metallic sights are guessed as to point of aim, a scope "pin points" the area being aimed at.

Safety. A man never looks like anything but a man through a scope. Positive identification of game is possible.

Trophy shooting. Before bringing down game, the conditions of hide and horns can be determined before shooting. Sportsmen who are trophy hunters appreciate this.

On the simple basis of magnification, rifle scopes fall into three classes: (1) The target scope. This is one with a high magnifying power and a small field of view. These usually run in power from 10X to 25X. (2) The big game or hunting scope. This type has a somewhat low magnification and a wide field and runs from 2½X to 4X. (3) Small game scope. This is the in-between category for the person interested in varmint shooting and medium to high magnification. But the target object, such as the wily woodchuck or crow is sometimes fast moving, consequently a wide field of view is needed. This scope usually runs anywhere from a 4X to a 10X.

So actually, there isn't anything too technical involved in selecting a scope. You know the type of shooting you are interested in. Have your rifle mounted with that type of scope and you're in business.

Scope men toss plenty of high-sounding terms around. Eye relief is one. You could call this the picture you get through the scope when you bring your rifle to your shoulder. A simple test is the ability to bring up the scope to a distance of anywhere from two to five inches from your eye and immediately see the full field of view. If the field narrows when you make this test and a black ring grows around it, the scope may not be the right one for you or for that particular rifle. However, before you rule out any scope get the advice of an expert. The trouble may lie in the way the scope has been mounted. The point is to avoid having to place your eye at one fixed point for every shot.

Another point to consider is the reticle pattern. When you look through a scope you see a pattern superimposed on your target. Some scopes have crosshair wires strung across a metal frame, although there now seems to be a tendency to use simple engravings on the glass itself. One thing to remember in selecting the scope and the correct type reticle, whether it be a crosshair, a dot, a tapered post, or a post and crosshair combination, is that the reticle line should not be too fine. The fine line type of crosshair is not easily visible except against a bright background.

Lean toward the coarse crosshair, the kind that can be seen instantly and lined up even in dim light, yet not so coarse that the reticle itself tends to obscure the target.

You will find these reticle patterns in the two basic kinds of scopes—those with external adjustments and those with internal adjustments. The first type is a straight tube which is held in mounts which are adjustable for elevation and/or windage. The second type is fastened to the rifle with fixed mounts, and adjustments for elevation and windage are made by turning knobs which change the position of the reticle. The movement can be made sideways for windage and up and down for elevation.

This matter of adjustment also brings another facet into focus: Mountings. The actual mounting of the scope on your rifle is important. It must hold the scope in a fixed position, and also sometimes provide for adjustments for lining up the scope and the rifle. There are a couple of types of mounts which are most commonly used. The kind with the convenient, quick adjustment feature, the other where the adjustment may take as long as ten or fifteen minutes or one hour and fifteen minutes.

Most shooters today demand that the vertical and horizontal adjustments for their telescopes be built right inside the tube itself. But there are good scopes that have the windage and elevation adjustments in the mount. One that I know is excellent has only two moving parts on the mount: One-piece steel double cones adjust for both windage and elevation. And the scales are calibrated in the simple scale of one division to an inch at 100 yards. Lock screws and adjustments are operated by a coin. The manufacturer, Bausch & Lomb, claims that there is nothing delicate about this mount-adjusted sight, that it retains zero and that any blow that would throw the rifle off zero would have to be severe enough to dent the barrel of the tough aluminum scope.

So, actually, you can take your choice. But regardless of the type adjustment, some scopes aren't too accurate in their movements. I suggest that you try a scope before buying, especially if it's one of the higher priced jobs.

Here's one way you can test its accuracy:

Place the scope in a padded vise, have it facing some blank object such as the base of a large tree or a stone wall. Measure it so that you know at *exactly* what distance you are training the scope. Today, most scope adjustment dials are graduated in minutes (one minute is

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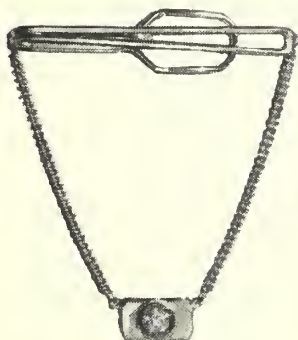
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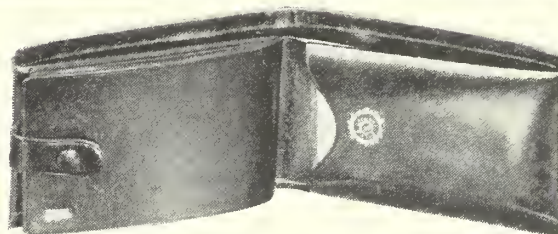


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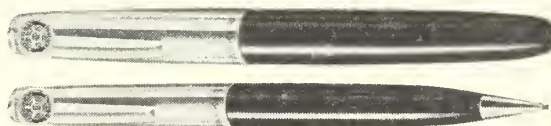


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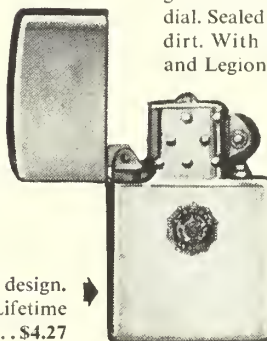
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equal to one inch at 100 yards), or they are equipped with the click method, where each click is a fraction of a minute.

With the scope held motionless in its vise, any slight movement of the windage or elevation should bring forth a like movement of point of impact at the target. The movement in the scope must be extremely sensitive to be effective and worthwhile. If the movement has backlash or is jerky in either windage or elevation, then the adjustment is bad. Now try moving the windage and see if it makes a change in elevation, or try the elevation and watch for change in the windage. If this happens, you are really in trouble and you have a bad scope. For a setup like this is apt to change the gun's zero setting when the gun is fired.

I'd say play it safe and get one of the good rigid mounts and the scope with highly sensitive and dependable internal adjustments. These type mounts can take it and, if properly fitted can be depended upon for a good many years.

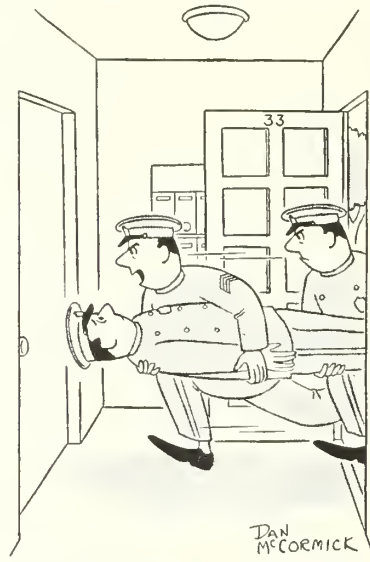
In selecting a scope there is an advantage in the kind made of aluminum or aluminum alloy. They bear up well under gun recoil and are lighter to pack along.

Now let's get a trifle technical and suggest that you make sure the optics or the lenses of your scope are hard coated. Sometimes called "lens coating" it is a process for applying a thin, transparent film of magnesium fluoride to the surface of a lens in order to reduce the reflection of light, as well as to increase the transmission of light coming through the lens. The film of the hard-coated lens is about four one-millionths of an inch in thickness. For example this page you are reading is about 800 times thicker than the coating on the lens of your scope — a coating that greatly increases the accuracy of your shooting. The Army and Navy used this during the last war, marked it top secret, coated all military camera, binocular and rifle scope lenses and got top performance from all three. Not to mention submarine periscopes and artillery rangefinders.

Walter L. Pierson, Executive Vice President and Treasurer of O. F. Mossberg & Sons, Incorporated, the first company in the United States to manufacture the low-priced scope, tells me that his company has run a test in retail sport stores throughout the country and come up with the fact that three shooters to one buy the rifle that is scope-equipped. Once the improved vision is pointed out to the shooter, he sells himself. It seems that back in 1935, O. F. Mossberg, the founder of the firm, developed the idea that his company

must do anything it could for the convenience of the shooter. He manufactured a medium priced rifle, and during that year, came out with a telescopic sight that could be attached to the rifle. As a matter of fact, all Mossberg guns were tapped and drilled for scopes. If a person didn't want the reasonably priced scope with the rifle, dummy screws were inserted in the drilled holes and no harm was done. Since 1946 all Mossberg rifles have come from the assembly line with a simple grooved slot for the scope.

O. F. Mossberg worked his scope line out on a practical basis. Reasoning that a 4-power scope brought the target or



"Okay, Muggsy, we're comin' in . . ."

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hunting object four times nearer the shooter, he pointed out to his customers that his internal, coin-adjusted scope could be bought for under ten dollars and that the scope would pay for itself in shooting pleasure, accuracy and meat in the pot within a few days. Shooters found he was right.

The Lyman Gun Sight Corporation, which considers itself dean of scope manufacturers, puts about fifteen different absolutely top scope models on the market, ranging from 2½ power to 30 and has carefully mapped out a public relations program on why it pays to use a scope.

The W. R. Weaver Company of El Paso, Texas, is another manufacturer that realizes that an inexpensive scope is a good investment for shooters. Their scopes run from less than ten dollars to just under sixty and come in several ranges of power. Their new K4 (the numeral representing the power or magnification) scopes are among the best on the market, as are their K6 and K2.5.

Weaver even has a K1, a unique scope for use on a shotgun. The reticule has a large aiming dot, which is supposed

to show the shotgunner the exact point where the center of the shot pattern will strike. The important factors of swinging and leading are also aided with the K1, says Weaver.

Hensoldt, known throughout the world for the excellence of its optics, has five scope models on the market, the most powerful of which is their Zeil-Dialyt 8X, running down to the Duralyt 2½X. These scopes are a product of the Western Zone of Germany.

Incidentally, some excellent scopes are beginning to come out of Japan. D. P. Bushnell & Company is importing a line which is sold under the trade name of Scopemaster, and these come in 2½X, 4X and 6X.

Leupold & Stevens Instrument Company of Portland, Oregon, have come up with the slogan, "always a clear shot," with their nitrogen processed hunting scopes. They claim that their scopes are without the normal moisture-laden air and the tube is filled with inert nitrogen gas, which effectively prevents Leupold scopes from fogging due to moisture, changes in atmospheric conditions or altitude. The scopes range from the 2½-power class up to an 8X.

Texas seems to have a small corner on scopes, with the Stith Scopes and Mounts people in San Antonio giving Weaver a run for their money. They manufacture the Bear Cub series running from the Bear Cub 2½X Double to the Bear Cub 6X Double. They specialize in hunting scopes and handle only internally adjusted models.

The John Unertl Optical Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, have two scopes I like, the 2½X Falcon, and the 4X Hawk, both hunting scopes. They also have a 6X Condor which seems to be working out well.

R. A. Litschert of Winchester, Indiana, has an interesting accessory called a Spot Shot attachment, which fits many of the various makes of hunting scopes. It's an install-it-yourself operation. With the Spot Shot device you can change your low power hunting scope to a fine varmint scope up to 8X. This means that with the expenditure of twenty dollars more or less, and a few minutes of your time, you can have a scope that will suffice for practically any hunting need. The attachment lines up perfectly on your present scope, due to a new Litschert installation principle.

Bausch & Lomb, famous for their excellent optics, are featuring the Balvar 2½ to 4X, a variable power scope and the Balfor 4X and Baltur 2½X, both fixed power scopes.

The scopes' future is indicated by the phenomenal increase in their popularity. It is significant, too, that many of the recent converts to scope shooting used to insist scopes were no good for their type of shooting.

THE END

CAN THE KIDS TAKE TV?

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averaged less than this number of criminal homicides per week. Eighty-five percent of the crime shows were on the air before 9 p.m., by which time children used to be in bed.

The Los Angeles situation is complicated by the difference in time zones which brings Eastern-originated shows three or four hours earlier than in New York. Another factor is that Los Angeles has seven TV stations—too many for the networks to supply—and they fall back upon old films for program material. The National Association of Educational Broadcasters study, already mentioned, revealed that ninety-seven percent of all western and crime drama telecast in Los Angeles was on film.

The use of old movies is the source of much of the complaint against television. As one parent said, "I'd like to see all Class B pictures removed. We wouldn't pay to see them ten or fifteen years ago—now we are plagued with them daily."

This is a situation which is likely to become worse before it improves. Now that the Federal Communications Commission has lifted the freeze on television applications, many new and independent stations are coming into operation. In order to maintain their licenses, they must broadcast at least twelve hours a week after the first six months of operation. This requirement increases every six months until, at the end of two and one-half years, twenty-eight hours a week of broadcasting is required, two hours of which must be in each of seven days. Most stations broadcast much more than this, of course.

Live programming is expensive on a local level; and not all licensees can arrange for network shows. Consequently, they fall back on the use of filmed material, some of it made especially for television, but much of it the dregs of motion picture productions of the last fifteen or even twenty years. Some are incredibly bad. Some recent pictures of quality are available; but they are more costly to the television station. In recent years, union agreements with the motion picture studios require that creative film personnel receive a royalty on televised use of their pictures. Whatever the merits of the case, this hikes the cost of more up-to-date pictures to broadcasters.

The television broadcaster does not have to persuade an advertiser to sponsor old film trash. He makes money on it by selling what the trade calls "spot announcements" which may be interspersed anywhere during the day's telecasting. If some spot-announcement advertisers saw what comes before and

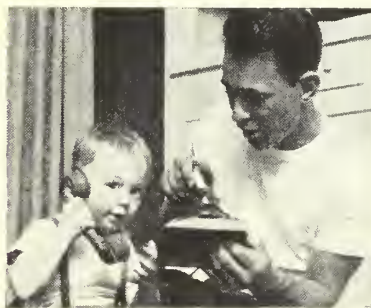


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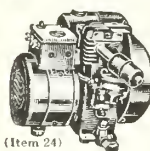
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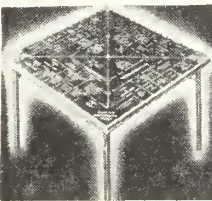
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after the "pitch" for their products, they might be as horrified as the parents.

The more stations there are in a community, the more acute this problem is likely to become. Television uses up entertainment at a terrific pace. It has been pointed out that all of the feature films produced by Hollywood during 1951 totaled only 648 hours of entertainment, and would last television stations only about six weeks. No wonder the reliance on old movies is so great. During one week in April, more than 150 movies (including thirty Westerns) were televised in the New York City area.

The television networks also rely on movies; but their quality is somewhat better. The networks, at least, review pictures before they are put on the air. One network official testified before the House Committee last fall that, of 6750 films reviewed, 186 were rejected. The 186 probably showed up on some local stations!

The effect of radio and television broadcasting on children is not easy to assess with any scientific certainty. Many parents believe that when their children become restless or suffer from nightmares either the number or type of programs has been harmful. James V. Bennett, director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, has cited cases of juvenile delinquency in which the pattern of crime was provided by crime fiction. The young delinquent probably already was on the road to crime; but that is no excuse for providing the stimulus or the map. Although most young people seem to be able to take a concentrated diet of violence and crime without undue immediate effects, some "just can't take it."

And, who knows what the long-range effects may be? Never before has a generation grown up in which murder, cruelty, and brutish aggressiveness were brought to life vividly in the home with sound and pictures that move. Are we weakening sensitivity to human values and rearing a crop of emotionally caloused citizens?

Unfortunately, the answers to these and other questions which torment thoughtful parents must await further scientific research. Many experts have many answers, but they do not agree. Since 1948, the American Bar Association, in its Section on Criminal Law, under the leadership of Arthur J. Freund, has had a committee with representatives of the motion picture, radio, television, and comic book industries to inquire into the adverse effects of these mass media of communication. After many years of disagreement among themselves and experts with varying opinions, the need for objective scientific research of a constructive nature was decided upon. Joining with the American Medical Association, the

American Bar Association's Committee has sought financial support for such research to be carried on in universities or other research organizations with high standing, completely independent of either the media of mass communication or their vociferous critics.

The aim is not to remove all crime portrayals from the movies, broadcasting, or comic books. Violence and



"Good morning, Miss Lawton. I've often wondered why I never see you come in late."

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crime is a part of life and of the great literature of the world. In part, the purpose of the projected research would be to determine the structure of programs which permit healthful or harmful identifications on the part of the immature audience. In such fiction, at the end of the story the criminal is usually punished for his crime, but do children realize what this means? Are they influenced more by the bulk of the story which glorifies the criminal and makes his life seem exciting and attractive? Do the stories provide a healthy outlet for normal aggressiveness, as some psychiatrists claim? Do they inculcate false values about marriage, work, and law?

These are questions regarding which honest broadcasters and critics alike would welcome accurate and detailed information. Certainly one cannot make useful or valid generalizations about the effects of all programs on all children. Both the programs and children vary. Research and intelligently constructive criticism must deal with specific cases.

Common sense supplies some of the answers. All radio and television sets come equipped with little knobs by means of which the indignant parent can either tune in a more wholesome program or, as sometimes seems to be necessary, turn off the set. Parents can-

not delegate to commercial interests the ultimate responsibility for their children's welfare.

The Xavier study found that bedtime rules and habits are changing. Parents allow their children to stay up to see the late television shows. Fifty-eight percent of the nearly one thousand sixth and seventh graders reported watching a regular late movie telecast from 11:05 p.m. until well after midnight at least once a week. (This may prepare them for night-clubbing or work on a morning newspaper.) Thirteen percent watched five times a week. Another eleven percent watched other late shows. Parents who complain about their children being tired or restless have no one but themselves to blame.

Aside from turning off the set, what can a parent do about objectionable radio or television programs?

The leaders of the radio and television industry realize that the broadcasting of objectionable programs can only bring harm to the industry itself, and are trying to correct the abuses. In 1948, a radio code was adopted, and a similar one for television was put into effect on March 1, 1952. Both contain positive affirmations of the broadcasters' responsibility toward children.

The National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters has estab-

lished a Television Code Review Board which welcomes letters of criticism. Write to them at 1771 N Street, N.W., Washington 6, D. C., giving the day and hour and the name of the show and describing what you consider offensive. Your criticism will be sent to the station involved. Be specific; blanket condemnations do no good whatsoever. If you do not note improvement, write again and send a copy of your letter to the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D. C. Although the FCC cannot censor programs, it must periodically renew broadcasting licenses. A file of adverse criticism at the offices of the FCC is embarrassing to the station, whose legal responsibility it is to operate in the public interest.

All broadcasting is regulated by the Federal Communications Commission, but Section 326 of the Communications Act of 1934 specifically forbids FCC censorship of programs. The laws of the United States (18 U.S.C., Section 1464) make it a criminal offense to broadcast or televise anything obscene. Very few, if any, programs have been judged obscene by the courts; but citizens have recourse to the courts when necessary.

The broadcasting industry is one which is peculiarly sensitive to public opinion. In the United States, broad-

casting is supported by advertising, and everyone in the business is eager for as large an audience as possible. The industry is highly competitive; and those who control it tend to be preoccupied with a specific network or series or program. Letters from individual listeners, which criticize a specific program in concrete terms, are considered very seriously by broadcasters. Ralph W. Hardy of the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters, testified in Washington, "I have personally seen legitimate protests circulated across the tops of all important desks in a station, with an accompanying note from the general manager, pulling the staff up short to avoid any recurrence of the incident that justified such complaints." He goes on to note that criticisms upset broadcasting people, who "are well known for their high incidence of ulcers."

In the final analysis, though, it is the sponsor who has the most to gain or lose by his program, and therefore he is the logical person to write to when his show displeases. To make sure that your letter doesn't go astray, make it a point to address it to the President of the company, Mr. Big himself. Once a complaint gets into his hands, the chances are that action of some sort will be taken.

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OBJECT, MURDER

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tree-tops of the woods lot beyond the barn. But nothing he saw made an impression any further back in his head than his eyes. Nothing had any reality but the horror that lay ahead of him.

Suddenly he straightened. Voices, tired and thick-tongued, came from the direction of the hitching rail. Looking toward the house, he saw the card game was over and the visitors were leaving. Mr. Gawsner was not out there. He was in the house somewhere. Little shivers, like things crawling under his skin, ran up and down Alec's sides and back. The work cut out for him today would start soon.

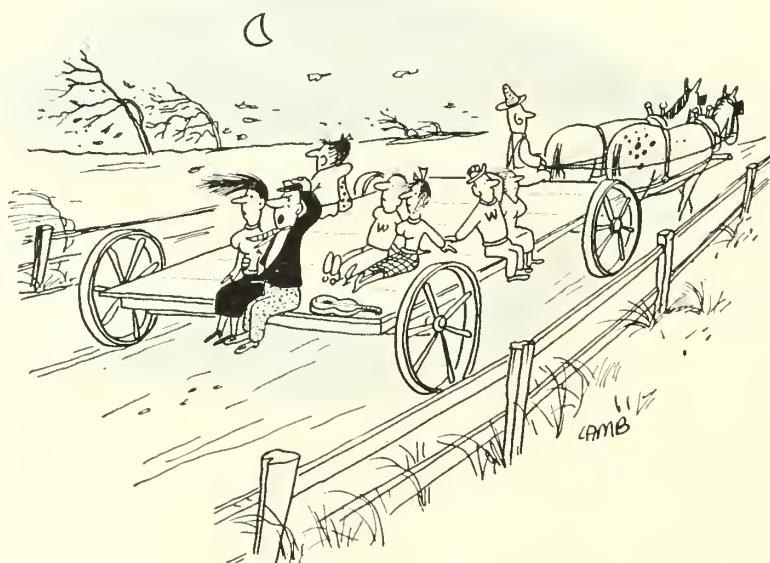
He caught sight of smoke coming from the kitchen flue. Aggie was getting breakfast. Cook in that kitchen since Alec was a baby, Aggie would tell him everything about Mr. Gawsner's behavior, and Letty. Provided he got that far without running into trouble first. At the edge of the yard he hesitated. The kitchen door was closer. His head was swimming a little, and his heart acted strange. He shook his shoulders like he was throwing off something heavy, and headed for the front. Scared or not, he wasn't going to go sneaking in the back door of his own home.

All the doors into the hall were closed. He walked safely past them, past the stairway, the cistern, down the back gallery, and in the door of the kitchen, stopped in surprise. It was Letty in there cooking breakfast. Her eyes that used to be oval and fiery, looked like flat black disks, and her face was even more drawn and pinched-looking than last night, but she tried to smile.

"You were expecting to see Aggie," she said. "Aggie's been gone for over a year. Except for his friends, Mr. Gawsner won't allow anybody in the house but me." She said it with a proud lift of her chin like she wanted him to think she was flattered to have it that way, and the horrid thought struck Alec that maybe her mind was touched. "When he comes down," he said harshly, "will that be the time to settle it?"

"I don't want your hands stained with another's blood, Alec," she whimpered. With a long-handled fork she turned the meat frying in the skillet. She drew a deep breath, looked him straight in the eyes, and said in her natural, composed voice. "Alec, I'm past knowing. I've prayed there was some other way than to send for you. Times I've thought if it was just me stood in his way, he was welcome to kill me. But it's the land he's crazy for. Half the land is yours, and it's your right to fight for it. You knew what he was, long before I did, but you've got to suffer for my mistake." She brushed her forehead with the back of her hand, still holding the fork, in a gesture that almost closed his throat with pity. "But don't rush into sin, Alec. Let him make the first move. He will; just be ready."

She started spooning the ham and eggs from the skillet into a round, shallow dish, and suddenly, without a sound, Mr. Gawsner was in the door from the dining room. Clean shaven, with fresh clothes, and to all appearance a gentleman, he wore no coat that would conceal a weapon in his hip pocket. And the front of his shirt was smooth, showing he didn't have a shoot-



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ing iron snuggled inside his belt. His owlsh eyes, arrogant and sly, roamed over the kitchen, settling on nothing. "This is a handsome duct, I must say, enjoying your little secrets this fine day."

The remembered, sneering voice flew over Alec like hot grease, but he forced himself to say, "Good morning." In reply Mr. Gawsner looked him over carefully, and said in a taunting voice, "I gather you've been plowing all summer with your coat on, or you wouldn't be wearing it this hot morning." His voice hardened. "You are here, I suspect, by written request," his cold eyes flicked towards Letty, "to protect your sister from her brute of a husband. A fine cock-and-bull tale that nobody will believe. I will accommodate you, however, within the hour, and I'll get off scot-free afterward. But first, since my loving wife did not see fit to bring my coffee up to me this morning, I'll have it now in the dining room." He turned around and walked toward the table.

Suddenly, with the challenge in the open now, Alec's head was clear and his nerves steady. A numbness of some sense or other wiped out his fear; he felt surrounded by an almost visible layer of air that would protect him from physical pain if luck should go against him in the fury that was coming. The accuracy of his eyes and hands, the speed of his muscles, were in deadly, focused readiness.

The coffee pot in one hand, the dish of meat in the other, Letty said steadily, but her eyes imploring him frantically, "Come on, Alec." It seemed more than he could do to sit at the table with Mr. Gawsner, but he couldn't afford to let him out of sight. He followed her through the door, and almost bumped against her. Stopped short, she was staring blankly at the doorway into the hall. Mr. Gawsner was not in the room. It was a trick. He would be back, armed, and aiming to do the devilment before Letty's very eyes. Alec could at least spare her that.

Quick as a cat, he stepped out onto the side gallery, followed it on tiptoe around to the front gallery, and there in the empty sunshine, his back against the wall, he stopped, ears straining, eyes quick in their sockets. There was no telling where Mr. Gawsner would show up from.

A flock of noisy jaybirds in the black-gum tree rose and flew off toward the cooler woods lot. Facing the house, head drooping in a doze, Mr. Gawsner's horse stood tied to the hitching rail. Out in the lot a restless mule brayed. Alec felt big drops of sweat moving under his clothes.

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going down the hall toward the dining room. He thought Alec was still back there. The footsteps were coming back. Pulling his revolver, Alec faced the doors.

Mr. Gawsner, still wearing no coat, but with a .45 revolver strapped on his hip, came coolly out on the gallery.

"Stand still," Alec said, his revolver aimed. Mr. Gawsner's hand moved maybe a half inch toward his hip. "Leave it alone," Alec said.

A sneering, sly smile tried from habit to twist Mr. Gawsner's face but didn't quite make it. "Why, you ill-mannered pup," he blustered. "I'll teach you to respect your betters."

Belittling the situation, trying to make him feel like a boy to be punished for getting sassy, was to throw Alec off guard for just the fraction of a second Mr. Gawsner would need to draw. Alec knew he ought to finish this dangerous man now, but seeing him helpless, even for the moment, made a difference. To his own surprise, Alec said, "I'll give you one chance. Not on your account, nor on mine, but because of Letty. Walk to your horse, and walk straight. I'm letting you keep your revolver so you can't say I took advantage of an unarmed man."

Mr. Gawsner, with no chance to do anything else, obeyed, Alec following a couple of steps behind him. At the hitching rail he stopped just far enough away so Mr. Gawsner couldn't reach him with a lunge. "Get ready to ride," he said. "Take the road, and if you ever set your filthy feet on this place again, I'll blow you to kingdom come."

With surprising docility, Mr. Gawsner untied the reins, threw them over the horse's neck, and laid a hand on the saddle. The horse backed a couple of steps, eyes widening, nose flared. "Stand

still, damn you," Mr. Gawsner said, and kicked him viciously in the belly. His back to Alec, he shifted his weight from one foot to the other, and the muscles of the horse's shoulder rippled with fear.

"If you can't mount, lead him to the block," Alec said sharply. So far luck had been with him, but the flash of an eye could change things.

"I can mount all right," Mr. Gawsner said mildly. He took a firm grip, his left hand on the horn, his right on the back of the saddle. Slowly and deliberately he shoved his left foot deep into the stirrup. In one swift motion, he swung up, and, still in the air, as his right leg started down the other side, pulled his .45, brought it across his chest and fired, under his left arm still on the saddle horn.

Alec heard his own revolver speak, saw the horse lunge forward, bring up against the hitching rail and turn, and Alec fired again. The horse's head went down, his hind parts high in the air in a buck, and Mr. Gawsner was falling. His shoulders hit the ground, but his foot was still in the stirrup. The horse was kicking and stamping. Alec grabbed at the bridle rein, but the horse whirled and broke into a run. Mr. Gawsner's foot came free and he lay on the ground, dirty and limber.

Alec knelt beside him. The face was quiet. On the temple was the deep print of a horse's hoof. His clothes showed hoof prints, but no bullet holes. Alec's fear-tightened muscles began to relax a little, and he stood up on quivering legs. He knew now that shooting at a man was different from shooting anything else. He had missed, Mr. Gawsner had missed. The horse was the killer. Letty was running toward him across the yard.

THE END

CAN YOU AFFORD TO GAMBLE?

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wondered whether he could afford to take that kind of gamble. He talked it all over with his wife and they decided to take the chance.

His first step was to take some night courses in personnel administration while he held on to his job in Wall Street. After pursuing this course of study for a two-year period, George learned from one of his professors about an opening in the personnel department of a leading New Jersey manufacturer. The trouble was that the job paid only seventy-five dollars a week, and George had been making ninety dollars in Wall Street.

Again, he talked the whole thing over with his wife and again they decided to take the gamble, because it would get

him into the field he wanted and with a good, sound company.

Today, six years later, George is assistant industrial relations manager for the same company. He has more than doubled his income. The second baby is on the way. His future looks bright.

There are, of course, other sound reasons for making a bold move or two while you're young. Sometimes a man likes what he's doing very much, but he finds himself bumping his head against a low ceiling in a company where the chances for advancement are limited, and he's got to move elsewhere to keep up with his growing financial requirements. Sometimes a man needs variety in his experience if he's going to qualify for the job he'd like to hold during his

peak earning years, and he's got to move around every few years while he's young in order to get the required experience. Sometimes a man has got to move to a bigger company with a well known name in order to get better training.

However, no matter what your reason is for changing jobs, here are three important rules to follow in making the shift:

1. If you think you'd like to change your line of work to a new field, be sure to test out your desire first in your spare time by talking with some of the people who work in this field and finding out what you've got to do to get into it, so that you will be well prepared for the change.

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2. Do not leave your present job until you have definitely secured the job you are after.
3. Tell your boss the whole story about why you are making the change, so that he will clearly understand that your leaving is no reflection upon him or the company, and so will be glad to give you his personal indorsement.

Moving now to the man whose family is raised and whose peak earning years are drawing to a close, we find a set of conditions that are somewhat different.

Even if you've got plenty of money to retire and do nothing, this isn't the answer. You'll soon get fed up on that. Men who retire seldom live very long. And if they do, they don't like it.

The main requirement is that you get into some kind of small business over which you exercise complete control so that no one can fire you and so that you will be able to enjoy the rest of your life to the utmost. And by "complete control," I do not mean a business in which you share the control with a partner.



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Several years before his time of retirement arrived, John began to figure out what he'd do when his company let him go. Time after time he had found one of his customers looking for a second-hand derrick or some used wire or pipe, and he was usually able to find some other customer who had it.

This suggested to Anderson the possibility of his going into the business of buying and selling second-hand oil well supplies. He looked into it very carefully and found out that, just among the drillers he already knew, there was a sufficient demand for second-hand supplies to make it worth his while.

He also found that, instead of buying used supplies and having to store them until he sold them, it would be better to find out where used supplies were needed, locate some company that had them, and then close the transaction on a commission basis.

When the time came for him to retire from his company job, he was so doggedly anxious to get started on his own and he was so well prepared to do so, that he didn't even take a vacation.

He has done very well. He's in his late sixties now and it looks as though he'll go on indefinitely.

I know an advertising copy writer who worked for an agency until he was fifty-three. Now he's in for himself on

a free-lance basis, serving three agencies and making more money on his own than he ever did as an employee. A former office manager for a large cosmetic company solved his "control" problem by starting a little printing business right in his own home with only a mimeograph machine and small hand press. A former factory superintendent who was always crazy about dogs now makes a good living and has a lot of fun in his declining years breeding and raising and selling English Setters and Beagles.

No matter what your experience or background may be, you can reduce the risks of going into business for yourself if you'll follow three rules:

1. Get into some kind of business that you *really* like.
2. Let it be a business that's closely related to what you have been doing and *know something about*.
3. Make it a *small* business, so that you can run it with ease for the rest of your life.

No one can completely escape the gambles of life—careerwise. Even when a man decides to do nothing, he's gambling on his present program and betting that it will hold up.

But if you'll just remember that the one period in your life when you can least afford to make bold moves is in your peak earning years, and if you'll follow the three important rules given for changing jobs when you're young and getting into business for yourself later in life, you should avoid the most costly mistakes which others have made.

THE END



"Now, first of all, you'll have to stop paying me with Confederate money."

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HOUSE BUILDING MADE EASY

(Continued from page 23)

Once our joists are in place, we tackle the sub-floor. Here's where we show modern progress. For one of the easiest, quickest-to-lay sub-floorings on the market is one of our own new-day wonders: 4' x 8' sheets of 3/4" plywood—a prefabricated material if ever there was one. Lay these big fellows down over your joists and hammer away; you'll beat the best carpenter's time with old fashioned diagonal wood sub-flooring by an easy half.

Next step is to erect the outer walls. First frame them with two-by-four studding set 16" on center (nothing new here), and you're ready for exterior sheathing. Prefabricated sheathing panels have been on the market for about 2 years or so. They're rigid, nearly inch-thick insulating boards that not only replace the wood sheathing that once was used, but also provide a substantial degree of house insulation. And up they go in a jiffy!

That point, incidentally, brings us to a very important characteristic of most prefabricated parts and materials. Almost without exception, they not only do as good a job as the site-fitted materials they supplant, but they also give extra value to boot. Plywood sub-flooring, for example, is not only an excellent sub-flooring, but it makes the house stronger, more rigid than did conventional diagonal sub-flooring. Insulating sheathing braces and strengthens the house (much more effectively than horizontal wood sheathing) and it insulates, too.

So we come to the roof. One of the neatest time-and-money savers is prefabricated wood roof trusses. These are factory-made, triangularly shaped units that span from outer wall to outer wall (a sort of bridge construction), eliminating ceiling joists, roof rafters, and interior bearing partitions (the inside walls that used to help hold the roof up). You and a friend can set up such trusses in a couple of hours—slash your roof-building time by days.

The wing now needs windows. Years ago, all windows were made by hand. An ordinary double-hung window had about 40 parts, plus glue, nails, putty and paint. Making it was a production: It required the labor of several highly skilled men—men who knew only too well that in a few short years after it had been put into a wall, it would rattle in every winter wind, and balk tight the minute the humidity of the summer hit it.

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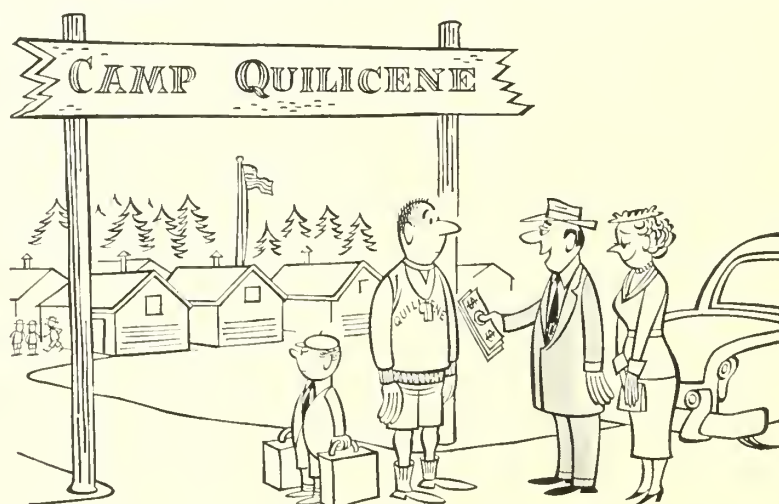
Prefabricated parts are a boon to such people, for some of the smartest, most complete prefabricated units are intended for use on the interiors of houses. We've already mentioned the giant wallboards. Here are others; you'll find some or all of them helpful in al-

most any construction job—from adding a wing to finishing an attic or basement:

First comes flooring. Hardwood strip and parquet floorings are now factory-sanded, stained and finished—ready for easy installation by any handyman. . . . New type vinyl plastic tiles have special suction backs that hold them to the floor without cement or nails. (Just lay the tiles on any smooth base—wood or concrete—and walk on them!) . . . Then there's a prefabricated liquid wood floor—a paste of hardwood fibers in a plastic composition that can be troweled over any firm base. The finished floor is cork-like in appearance, and it can be waxed, stained or finished just like real wood.

Doors, too, have felt the prefabricator's genius. The latest development is an all-glass door for interior use. The glass is tempered and obscured, so that it is both tough as nails and assures privacy. . . . If you dislike doors that stick, bind, warp, or just act up, you'll cheer the steel door and frame. It arrives at the job complete with hardware and prime painting; ready, in short, to be set in place. Nary a bit of fitting is required (you can't plane steel), and the one-piece door frame won't open at the joints, list out of plumb, or be splintered by careless moving men. . . . Even the wood door shares the prefabricated trend. It's now available in packaged completeness—ready fitted, sanded, set for a useful life with a minimum of fussing on the job.

When it comes to kitchen equipment, you'll undoubtedly choose prefabricated kitchen cabinets (few can afford custom-built cabinets these days). However, if you wish, you can even buy a completely prefabricated kitchen—a complete unit with range, refrigerator,



Dennis Caplow

"Here's ten dollars—he's accustomed to being paid a little something to eat each meal."

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sink and cabinets all compactly assembled. It needs only connecting to house utilities. These units have been widely used in small apartments, summer houses, and in basement and attic fun rooms.

Heating equipment manufacturers are relying more and more on prefabrication. Only a few short years ago, the heating plant was painstakingly assembled on the basement floor out of a jumble of gritty, gray parts. Now, it's a slick prefabricated package—so handsome, in fact, that it often is put in the kitchen where its white enamel jacket looks perfectly at home. Even the heating ducts are now prefabricated, thereby cutting the cost and improving the efficiency of one of the most complicated parts of a warm air heating system.

Have you ever wished you could add a fireplace to your living room at a price that was within reason—and your budget? You can—if you buy one of the new prefabricated fireplaces now on the market. One firm makes a beauty of steel that is hung on the wall. (It looks something like an air-borne Franklin stove.) Another makes a line of more conventional-looking fireplaces designed to fit flat against a wall, or tucked into a corner.

No fireplace, however—even a prefabricated fireplace—can operate with-

out a chimney. If you have a spare chimney hanging around the house, fine! You can vent your prefab fireplace into it. But if you lack such a convenience, you might look at the prefabricated chimney. This is a composition flue that comes in easily assembled sections. The complete prefab fireplace and chimney can be installed in an average home in less than a day. And the cost will be several hundred dollars less than the cost of an old-fashioned masonry model.

The number and variety of prefabricated products for the home is almost endless; day by day the list increases. Here are more that the home-owner-who-builds may find helpful:

Stairs. Mill-built stairs are the rule, rather than the exception in today's houses. Many firms have stock flights on hand—sized for standard eight-foot ceilings. But even if your dimensions are out of the ordinary, any mill can produce a prefab flight for far less than if done on the job.

Wardrobes and closets. There's no need to build closets when these slick storage units are available. They're light, good-looking, and their wood-thin walls take up only a fraction of the floor space that clumsy stud-and-plaster partitions require. Use them in batteries as partitions between rooms, or line

them up against a wall to save decorating and floor space. Prices start as low as \$50 per unit.

Dressers and vanities. Many pieces of furniture are now built into the house. Such built-ins are usually cheaper than free-standing furniture—and they look better, too. The list of available units includes, in addition to dressers and vanities, bookcases, TV cabinets, game lockers, linen and china cabinets, and, naturally, bars. Prefab built-ins—with unexposed sides and tops—simplify housework . . . save floor space, too.

Wood paneling. This handsome hardwood paneling comes in rich cabinet finishes. You need only attach the panels to the base wall—an easy, quick operation—and you'll have a wood paneled room to boast of. Planks of gypsum wallboard are another new prefabricated wall covering. These are made in three styles: plain (for painting and papering), wood grain, or striated. To install, simply butter the backs with a special adhesive and press into place. Plastic-finished panels, in solid colors, or realistic wood grains and marble patterns, have come striding out of the bathroom and kitchen (where they were first used in place of costlier tile), and are now covering walls of living rooms and bedrooms.

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So, examine your Army advantages carefully. Compare them with what you are now getting or will be getting. Then see if you don't want to re-enlist. There's a lot of satisfaction in making your career one of service to your country!

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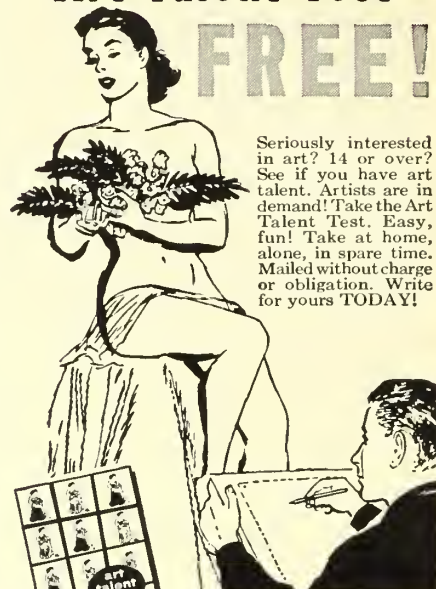
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recovered by the enemy. Too bad, brother. Your defensive bulwarks are sitting on the bench while the offensive platoon attempts to halt the thrusts of the opposing team.

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strong. Be it two-platoon or curtailed substitution, "them as has still gits." The powerhouse teams will continue to win in 1953.

There has been talk at Notre Dame that Leahy will revive the famed shock-troop system which Knute Rockne inaugurated back in the 1920s. In other words, open the game and the second half with a No. 2 team which has, as its objective, the wearing down of the opposition and the setting of the stage for the regulars.

In the spring every Notre Dame player was being schooled to go both ways, including Ralph Guglielmi, the T-quarterback who is slated to double as a defensive halfback this fall. The extra-point and kickoff specialists had disappeared, their chores being taken up by a regular who had shown some talent in that direction.

And thus it appears to be the end of the line for specialists like Yale's celebrated Billy Booe, who never caught a pass or batted one down; who never threw a block or made a tackle. But the five-foot, seven-inch, 148-pounder from Shelton, Conn., was a mighty mite in the two-platoon era just the same, for he place-kicked 97 points as a member of the Eli varsity in four years of competition ending in 1948.

A year ago Ohio State called on an even more pint-sized pigskinner, Thurlow Weed, as its kicking ace. And the hometown boy from Columbus made good in a great big way. But, now that the substitution rule has made the spot-player passé, the Buckeye coaching staff hardly will dare risk Thurlow's 128-pound, five-foot-five among the mastodons which stalk the gridirons of the Western Conference.

Still, quantity without quality—that is, two-way quality for defense as well as offense—just won't beat the new substitution rule no matter how much a coach hates to forsake his old two-platoon ways. There will have to be some Iron Men, or reasonable facsimiles thereof.

Dodd at Georgia Tech is supposed to have one of the real top-flight squads in the land. In fact, he has been quoted with the claim, "We'll be the best in the South."

And yet Bobby, himself rated among the best in the business, is worried about pass defense under limited substitution.

Dodd has a back named Leon Hardemann, who was All America in 1952 and just about the most dashing leather-lugger in the land. He wound up like a top and really spun opposing defenders dizzy. Naturally, he will be invaluable to Georgia Tech if he can be kept in the ball game.

But Hardemann is under five-foot-eight, one of the shortest backfield stars in the country and, in addition, he never

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has played pass defense. He worked at it during Spring practice, however, and Dodd is hopeful. "I doubt that our opponents will throw many passes into his territory," says Bobby, "because if Hardemann picks off the throw he can go all the way."

It may be causing the uninitiated some wonder at this point as to why a fine player like Hardemann or Guglielmi or Wisconsin's T-quarterback, Jim Haluska, can't just step in and learn pass defense.

It is not that simple. A specialist is the product of constant polishing—long hours on the practice field working to attain perfection in passing or kicking, running, playing safety and so forth. Under the two-platoon system he did so to the exclusion of all other facets of the game. If he can't adapt himself physically and mentally to one-platoon play the specialist is a dead duck.

This may be heresy and, if so, make the most of it, but the specialists of two-platoon did their particular jobs far better than the individuals who made up what was probably the greatest collection of Iron Men of modern times, the Brown University eleven of 1926.

The Brown team went through the season unbeaten, though it was tied by Colgate in the final game. The squad was of normal size for that time, between 40 and 50 players. But the Iron Men monicker was earned when the first string went through Yale and Dartmouth games without substitution.

Finally, with the score standing at 14-0 against Harvard, the combination was broken up by the spot substitution of six men, with the result that another touchdown upped the count to 21-0.

It was only after a victory over the Eli that the sports pages ballooned the fact that Brown had used the same eleven men from start to finish. And this gave the group a high morale, an esprit de corps which carried it through the rest of the season.

It is interesting to note the reason why their coach, Tuss McLaughry, now at Dartmouth, finally sent in some subs in the closing moments of an already cemented triumph over Harvard. "Quite a few of the second-string players were getting disgruntled," he said, "and I did it for the morale of the entire squad."

Georgia Tech's Hardemann undoubtedly is a far fancier ball-carrier than any back on the Brown Iron Men. Wisconsin's Haluska and Notre Dame's Guglielmi probably can throw the ball better than Dave Mishel, the Brown tailback who collaborated with Hal Broda on the aeriels. And Broda, as good as he may have been, probably couldn't lace on the brogans of a Bernie (Purdue) Flowers or a Tom (Texas) Stollhandske when it comes to really

working the art of pass receiving as it is practiced today.

But all these modern stars, these specialists, would have been equally lost attempting to go the route as Iron Men. For they have not been conditioned or trained to play both defense and offense and there, in capsule form, is the main reason why in this year of the great change-over, the situation is so fluid, so chockfull of potential surprise.

To add to the confusion, high schools have been given the green light by the NCAA and other contingent ruling bodies to go merrily along with two-platoon play under the old, unlimited substitution ruling.

The now-retired General Neyland at Tennessee brings out the point that two-platoon football had all but decimated the ranks of young coaches. For a college star who wished to turn to coaching found that he knew only offense, or defense, depending on which platoon he operated with as an undergraduate.

In recent years, says Neyland, he has taught postgraduate football to several aspiring former Volunteers. Without such a supplementary course, these men simply found themselves lacking the necessary qualifications to teach the game even though they had been of All American calibre. They were incomplete specimens, half men, as it were, in the world of football.

In recent years Lou Little of Columbia has been one of the have-nots in the department of manpower, and his Lions of a year ago had no less than five Iron Men who played through without substitution to the final minutes of almost every game. Don't think for a moment Lou wanted it that way. He just didn't have capable substitutes. But against the teams which could throw the full force of two-platoon operation, Little's Iron Men finally crumpled. Four games were lost in the fourth period.

For the season coming up Little subscribes to the Dodd theory of keeping your best offensive player in action as long as possible, hoping that he will be able to handle the defensive assignment. One of Columbia's best running backs is Bob Mercier, who is even shorter than Hardemann. But Little is going to give him a whirl at two-way operation.

"I'd still like a tall guy back there," Lou says, "when the other team starts filling the air with passes."

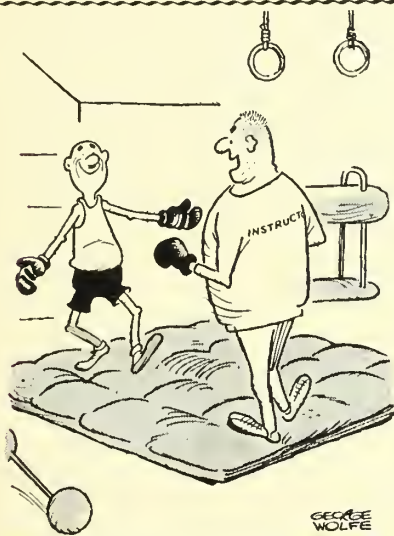
And yet the Columbia coach, former head of the American Football Coaches Association and chairman of the coaches' Rules Committee, still is inclined to view the change-over with optimism.

"Call it optimism with reservations," he says. "If a coach is lucky enough to find himself with a good all-around player that man will do a satisfactory

job. Of course, he will not measure up to the specialist at any particular phase of the game." Little is eyeing a plan whereby he'll use his best men for seven or eight minutes, then relieve them with second-stringers while, at the same time, holding the first-string group for action in the next eligibility period.

"But there's a catch to it," adds Lou. "Because its workability depends on having a capable third man as insurance. He is an absolute necessity in case of injury to the member of the second unit."

As Little sees it, a lot of coaches are



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going to be living dangerously this fall, himself included. He too emphasizes the series of intricate adjustments and re-adjustments which will be needed for smooth play under the new rule.

As an illustration, take the 6-2-2-1 defensive alignment, a set-up familiar to most fans. One of the two linebackers now must be a backfield man capable of offensive duty. He must have speed or he hobbles the attack.

The linebacking ace at Columbia last season was Jerry Hampton. But he hasn't the speed to handle an assignment as an offensive back. So he has been converted into a center. This move touches off a chain reaction throughout the squad, since Columbia is not deep in manpower anyway.

All these adjustments under limited substitution thus mean a return, in effect, to football as a team game rather than as a squad game by platoons.

Lou Little speaks for many coaches when he says, "It may turn out for the best that we have gone back and started over. We have seen the two-platoon system in operation with its assets and its liabilities. Now, in a couple of years, we should know which system is best."

But the change-over, fans, really should be something to see! THE END

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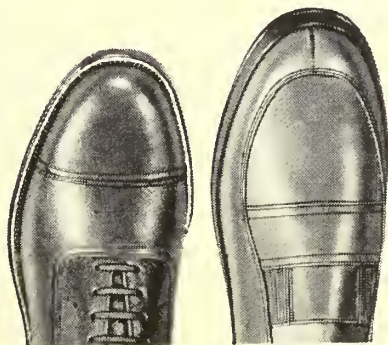
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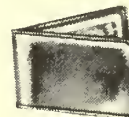
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the program, written forms and message blanks are filled out by overseas GIs. The smallest Armed Forces unit, ashore or afloat in any part of the globe overseas, is possessed of an official directive to make the forms available to the men, who need only fill one out and mail it to Hometown, U.S.A., American Legion, 1608 K Street, NW, Washington, D. C. Armed Forces News Service and Armed Forces Radio plug the program and pass the word to every GI abroad.

When request forms are scarce for any reason in an overseas unit (they can be run off on the unit mimeo machine), personal letters from GIs begin to arrive at the Legion's Hometown, U.S.A. desk.

"This is a personal letter to play *Mother of Mine* for my mother. Better an evening program, she works days. Tell her I love her and haven't much longer to go out here. Excuse the handwritten letter, we haven't got your forms. When the heck is our company going to get some of those forms? A buddy had one he picked up in another outfit, and his hometown station played *Till We Meet Again* to his girl friend. We ain't had a one of these forms yet, hence this letter. The fellows in our outfit are pretty sore at this."

Usually a letter back straightens things out, just as soon as the request for *Mother of Mine* has been forwarded to the proper radio station. When serious kinks show up on the overseas end, or an unforeseen problem makes a general stumbling block or bottleneck, a Legion representative drops over to the



"Gad, Quigley, it's a beautiful day!
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Pentagon where the problem is analyzed and a solution is worked out.

The blanket coverage and painstaking cooperation by independent radio stations in the U. S. has been noteworthy since the inception of Hometown, U.S.A. Every request and message is broadcast. Recipients of servicemen's messages are not only phoned in advance, of the broadcast of a GI's re-

Tenn. Add more than 2,000 others to get a full picture.

Tune requests and messages tend overwhelmingly to be serious and sentimental, reflecting the nostalgia of the overseas GIs. Occasionally, one is amusing.

Corporal Joe Topping of New York, with the 48th Surgical Hospital in Korea, filled out the form as follows: "Please play *Wish You Were Here*, or (alternate tune) *The Man I Love*. For, *Any Male of Draft Age*. His relation to me *My Replacement*. Topping's choice of messages to his replacement was "The best of everything to you today and always. The hospitality of the people here is wonderful, they're just like the folks back home."

Orland Gaithe, with the 35th Infantry Regiment in Korea had a special problem. His family was in Managua, Nicaragua. However, a Managua radio station, *La Voz de Nicaragua*, picked up the request from the Legion and played Rotation Blues for Leon and Rosita Gaithe, the soldier's father and stepmother, and said hello to Orland's girl friend. He hadn't been home in 2½ years.

Sgt. Luis Espinosa, combat infantryman with the 7th Infantry Division, sent a long list of request numbers to be played for his wife over a long period of time, explaining: "I am going to the front lines and am quite sure I will not have access to these forms. . . . If my wife is not able to hear from me for periods of time, she can always know that I am thinking of her through these requests."

Capt. George Chalfont wrote: "After 13 years of military life I am homesick. I'll have been overseas a total of 76 months when this tour is completed. Please play *Dolores* by a sweet-playing band for my wife, Dolores."

Lt. Ruth Reeves, Army Nurse, of Shreveport, La., wrote a long letter to The Legion's Hometown, U. S. A., which said in part: . . . "for the past fifteen months in Korea . . . it has given me pleasure to nurse lots of our fine young men from the battles over here, and I have yet to meet one who has given up faith or lost his courage . . . each mother back there in the good ole U. S. A. can smile between her tears and be proud of that son or daughter over here. May I offer the sincere thanks of the guys and gals stationed over here . . . your programs have been splendid . . ."

The tape recording part of Hometown, U.S.A. has to be done by Legion posts on the local level. No national Legion office can get the voices of the families of servicemen in America's thousands of towns—but there is scarcely a town in the country without a Legion post.



"Now this is very good tonight—or perhaps you'd like . . ."

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quest, but some radio stations send a representative to make personal calls on them. Sometimes, a mother or sweetheart is invited by a station to come in on the broadcast, whether in person or by transcription.

In New York, one of the cooperating programs has been Ted Husing's Bandstand, on WMGM, which gave an hour a week to Hometown, U.S.A. requests until Husing went on an extended vacation in June.

Disc jockeys, early bird programs, night owl broadcasts and mid-morning record programs give voice and music to Hometown requests in every corner of the nation. A small sampling shows Hometown, U.S.A. requests broadcast by "The Musical Mailbag" on KBLF in Red Bluff, Calif.; two shows on WIMA, Lima, Ohio; the Jack Rockwell program on KFJI at Klamath Falls, Ore.; WENK's Hank Huggins show in Union City, Tennessee; "The Alarm Club" on WMFR in High Point, N. C.; The Smokey Rogers and Howard Garland shows on San Diego's KFBM; Jack Powell's "The Ol' Nite Owl" on WOWO, Fort Wayne, Ind.; WJAG's "Mailbag," Norfolk, Va.; "John's Web" on KDCK, Junction City, Kansas; three programs on WJAM, Marion, Alabama; and three on WMPS, Memphis,

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In a classic instance of the service of the tape program, one of the 5,000 voice messages sent by Legion posts in Michigan's statewide tape-sending program went, on Mother's Day, to 20-year-old Howard "Bud" Middlewood, in Korea. It came from his mother, Mrs. Grace Middlewood, of Livonia, Mich., and his father, a Livonia building inspector.

Bud Middlewood had enlisted in the Marines in 1950. He had been injured in action once. On March 13, 1953 he received his second injury in combat in Korea, with many wounds and the loss of his right arm. He was hit with a mortar blast that killed a buddy.

The fact, but not the extent, of Bud's injuries was forwarded to his folks via the Defense Department. Letters from Bud, who had written three times a week, stopped, and both parents were desperate for more information. Then, on Mother's Day, the Legion arranged for them to send Bud a voice message on tape from Detroit.

When the tape arrived at Bud's outfit, he had been shipped to Japan on a Danish hospital ship. His outfit chaplain forwarded the tape to the hospital in Japan, and within a few days the Middlewoods in Livonia had the tape back.

Both sides of it were filled with things their son had wanted to write, told in his own voice from his hospital bed. He couldn't write because he'd lost his right arm.

Organization of a working Home-town, U.S.A. tape-recording program in a Legion post is pretty much a matter of extra-hours detail work by volunteers. The end results have a mean-

ing that has to be seen to be appreciated, and the transition from plain hard work to the end result is deeply moving.

Suppose, for instance, your Legion post decides to send taped voice messages to overseas servicemen from their families and loved ones in your town.

Maybe you don't want a lot of 100 tapes. You seek a broken lot at 45¢ per tape through your District or Department. Anyway you have to get some tapes. They'll play for three minutes.

Then you have to get the use of a tape recording machine. If you want to buy one, National Emblem Sales can get you a \$235 Revere T-10 for \$155 delivered, for this program. But for the use of a recorder for a good cause, local record shops, radio stations, department stores and individual tape-recorder owners have lent them to posts. You have to get the use of a tape recorder, whether you buy it or borrow it. It has to play at a speed of 7½ inches a second, that being the speed of the Armed Forces machines in the radio stations and service clubs overseas that'll play your tapes back to PFC Joe in Korea or Lieut. Frank in Saudi Arabia.

The same tape can be used over and over. Each time a recording is made on one, the older message is erased. Sometimes people wish to keep the messages. Then it is the custom to have them have a disc made at the local record shop, and return the tape.

A mother in Michigan came to a Legion post every single day to have the tape her boy had returned played back to her. Now she has surrendered the tape, which is busy carrying messages overseas for others, while she has



"Oh, yes! Now I can see the improvement."

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a platter of the message which she plays on her home record player.

The basic Legion service is entirely free. Posts pay the 18¢ airmail postage to send each tape abroad.

With the tapes and use of a recorder, it doesn't take a lot of ingenuity to figure out that all you need now is a place to make the recordings, someone to see that they are made, a time to make them, and a way of contacting the families of servicemen in your town.

Each post can figure its own answers—there being as many answers as there are posts. The J. L. Hudson Department Store in Detroit set up a booth and some lounge space for a two-day Hometown, U.S.A. tape-sending drive. It was sponsored by the Hudson store's own Legion post. A few spot radio announcements in the store's own advertising program, plus notices posted around the store, attracted several hundred mothers and wives of servicemen in the two-day program. (A photo of the J. L. Hudson display in its lounge appears in the illustrations of this article).

At the other end of the scale, in smaller towns, one post member has handled the machine and the tapes, and made personal appointments with families of GIs in town—making one recording at a time. In one instance, a one-man committee sent fifteen tapes in a week, and had the first one back from overseas just as the last was sent. "It was Mrs. Jones," he said. "When she heard her son's voice she cried like a baby."

That is a common experience. The Hometown, U.S.A. tape program is

deeply emotional. Characteristically, families have trouble talking to the impersonal microphone at first. Then they warm up.

"Hello, son. This is your mother talking. Did you get my birthday card? Your Dad is here beside me and he misses you too. We're all waiting for you to come home..."

"Hello, darling. This is your wife. Guess what. You're going to be a father. What do you think of that?..."

When an initial audition is over, it has often happened that the emotion and gratitude of the mothers, wives, fathers and sweethearts of men overseas is inexpressible. One Legionnaire who worked on a tape-sending reported: "They stand around and seem to want to say something that doesn't come out right. 'Thanks' is too weak and seems to stick in their throats. The feeling gets across to you. You made it possible for them to speak to *him* so far away. When they finally drift away, and you are addressing the containers and sticking the airmail stamps on them, you get the feeling that you are sending something miraculously alive overseas. You've seen smiles and tears and happy bewilderment, and people who are grateful beyond belief. It makes you feel part of something big.

"Then you see it all over again, only more so, when the echoes come back from overseas. When people come up to you—or let you hear a tape message—saying 'God Bless The American Legion for this program' it makes you feel a little silly, but unbelievably proud."

THE END

SETTING THE STAGE FOR MOSCOW

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plain frauds. The real people of the theatre will be paying relief to these pseudo-thespians for the rest of their lives. One smell of grease paint, and an actor is made, whether or not he ever finds theatrical employment. I recall one Broadway beachcomber who was on the Theatre Project from the start, and who has been on relief for sixteen years since. The Welfare Department recognizes his profession, even if the theatre won't. He'll never go back to his humdrum employment, which was without glamor, for he's doing all right, as an established veteran of the relief rolls.

Hallie Flanagan, to her credit, says she protested against spending money in the theatre on a non-professional basis. Harry Hopkins asked her, "Can you spend money? It's not easy, and don't forget that whatever happens, you'll be wrong." John Golden entered a mild protest with the declaration that "most new productions would be put

on in New York." Lee Shubert, of the fabulous Shubert office, said he was in favor of the Theatre Project—"because I have theatres for rent." Sometimes Lee and Jake are also frank and earnest, if you'll pardon the pun.

Eva Le Gallienne, speaking at Town Hall in the formative days, said, "Frankly, I was terrified by large sums of money being given by the Government to the theatre." In her recently published book *With A Quiet Heart* she refers to that experience. Her contact with the Civic Repertory Theatre interested the New Dealers. She was called to the White House, to lunch with the President and Harry Hopkins. The President, she says, was primarily interested in the project for relief purposes and wanted jobs provided regardless of the abilities of the beneficiaries. She disagreed, and he became slightly irritated. Harry Hopkins said to her, on leaving, "If you would learn to play politics, you could get millions out of

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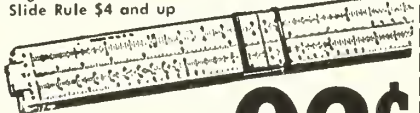
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the old man." Later, she tried to get \$100,000 on a revolving-fund basis for the Repertory Theatre, but nothing ever came of it.

The Project was launched with the blessing of the theatrical unions—the Dramatists Guild, the Actors Equity, the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (the powerful stagehands' union) the Brotherhood of Teamsters (very important in theatre business), Theatrical Agents and Managers, the Bill Posters Alliance, the Wardrobe Attendants, the Costumers Association and all the rest. But the unions had a neat, tongue-in-cheek attitude that was most effective. Under the relief laws, no one could draw more than a maximum of \$92 a month. But union labor insisted, and got, their full daily scale. Thus they could draw the legal maximum for two days' work a week, at the prevailing \$11.25 scale. Only the dubs had to show up six days a week to get their ninety-two bucks a month. "Work" consisted, for the most part, of making appearance and signing the book.

The League of New York Theatres put their weight behind the Project, for obvious reasons. They had theatres for rent, also. At that time, Eddie Dowling had a show at the Biltmore, and I was its press agent. *Big Hearted Herbert* was a good comedy, with lots of laughs, which were made unfunny by what happened. He had rented the Biltmore on a "four walls" basis, which meant he paid all operating expenses and furnished the staff. The show ran for five months, with sufficient income to keep going, even to the extent of paying a duplicate stage crew, who played pinochle in the prop room. Eddie was penalized by the union as a "road show" because *Herbert* had originally opened at the Pasadena Playhouse in California, and so required an extra "road" crew of three department heads, at \$100 per week each.

Business wasn't exactly good, and Eddie was giving away 200 free passes a day, to keep the seats warm enough to put over a comedy. You have to have people to laugh. (And did you ever try to give away 200 tickets a day, for five months?) But things went on, and every week the company and house staff, of about fifty, were paid their salaries. That is, until the Federal Theatre Project stepped in and outbid us for the theatre, offering the owners twice what we had been paying for "four walls." Naturally, we closed, and a thing called the *Living Newspaper* moved into the theatre, subsidized by the taxpayers.

This wasn't theatre business, nor, for that matter, was the *Living Newspaper* a theatrical attraction. Nor was it charades. It was a propaganda play, produced in the Russian manner, and the

only place in the world where you could see anything like it, before or since, would be Moscow. The *Living Newspaper* made no contribution to theatre arts, but it was hailed by the left-wing press as something wonderful.

Triple A Plowed Under—One Third of a Nation—Power (the TVA story) were typical *Living Newspaper* productions, all with stages filled with "actors" of no previous experience. But they played their parts with conviction—the cowering underprivileged, the top-hatted "villians" of a capitalistic world, and the shining knights in armor, arriving from Washington with dramatic news of the New Dealers, and their earth-shaking economic changes. *Ethiopia* was one production that the De-

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partment of State felt obliged to suppress, "because it reflected on the head of a foreign state." The curious *Ballad For Americans* with its strange overtones of "the brave new world" was the theme song of this type of production, sung in chorus and with off-stage effects and special dialogue to fit various occasions in current political history.

Horse Eats Hat and *Sing for your Supper* were other slanted plays, and Orson Welles did *Macbeth* and thus released Orson on a previously unsuspecting world. Orson is himself typical of the Theatre Project, and he has done worse, since, from Brazil to Rome. Right now, Orson is reported on the Riviera, palling with ex-King Farouk, and other celebrated playboys of the period. Orson is a Faroukian character, and could always do well with a government grant or the opportunity to spend other people's money. Select any list of pro-communists in Hollywood, or elsewhere in show business, and you'll find a list of those who graduated, as Orson did, from the Federal Theatre Project. They went to Hollywood, they went into radio, they went into television, and the new arts accepted their "professional" standing as gospel truth.

The Federal Theatre Project spent an aggregate of fifty-five million dollars in approximately fifty-five months, until it was killed "By Act of Congress" on June 30, 1939. That is a quite differ-

ent total, and a quite different result, from what the real people of the theatre solicited in their own behalf. And the final sum was sunk without a trace of anything really professional or practical as a contribution to theatre arts. It ended because Congress decided the Federal Theatre Project was a political issue, and not a proper relief measure. It ended, incidentally, with loud wails from the Left.

The great weakness of the Federal Theatre Project was the mistaken policy of taking it to the forty-eight States to fortify political fences, instead of providing honest relief for honest people of the theatre, in the legitimate centers of theatrical production. Eddie Dowling was close to the Administration, and he repeatedly asked for help for individuals whom he knew to be in need. Like many others who have risen to prominence and a degree of financial success in theatre business, he had a list "as long as your arm" of those he was privately supporting. It was an axiom that no well-known actor could walk the length of "Touch Alley"—another name for Broadway in the depression—without meeting, and granting, a dozen requests for loans—"something to tide me over until I'm working." And he knew examples, pitifully well known in the business, of famous names who had been arrested for stealing milk off doorsteps, in Hollywood and elsewhere—but Eddie could never get these deserving ones on the government's Project.

The political handout of relief funds continued to the bitter end. A plan was carried out to establish regional theatre projects, North, South, East and West, and especially in the South, where there were political fish to fry, with underprivileged sharecroppers, the Negro population, and others being aimed at by the Communist Party. During four years, Project directors always had their bags packed for travel. William P. Farnsworth, deputy WPA administrator, said, "Every State is different, and always *interesting*"—with significance. Hallie Flanagan writes, "Texas was a hard nut to crack and we failed to crack it." A sweet girl graduate in a New England State wrote in to say that she had been appointed State Director of the Project and had been allocated \$36,000 in relief funds. However, she reported that she could find only two legitimate actors in her State who were in need of relief. So, could she spend this money for amateur theatricals? She was told she could, and did.

It has taken years to see and understand how thoroughly the infiltration of Hollywood, of radio, and more recently, television, and the continuing communist tinge in the Broadway theatre, have followed the policy and the

personnel of the Federal Theatre Project. During the days of the occupancy of the Biltmore Theatre, we saw the mimeograph machines begin to hum in backstage rooms. We saw political meetings conducted on theatre property under lease to the Government, and consequently against the law, both then and now. Is it any wonder that it aroused intense bitterness on the part of real Americans, who recognized this snide operation for what it was? It was a closed corporation, for insiders only, and those who resented it or reported anything unfavorable to it were apt to be treated as they are inside Russia. The barriers were up, unless you were communist or for the commies. None others need apply, nor be guilty of criticism.

During World War II the same gang operating the same gimmicks moved into the Office of War Information—and all to the same end. From this, it was merely another chronological step to the Voice of America and the information programs of the Department of State.

Another relic of the Federal Theatre—the "widow" left with whatever remains of the Project in tangible form—is one of the most influential present-day communist fronts in America, the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions. The Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities has issued a comprehensive report on this organization, to prove its communist character beyond any possibility of doubt. Within this framework, and in the communist-dominated theatrical guilds and unions you will find the remnants of the Theatre Project, still at work, soliciting and getting funds from their dupes, as today's newspapers reveal.

Headquarters for active duty moved to Hollywood some years ago, and strong cells were set up on the West Coast, to control employment as strictly as it was done within the Government project sixteen years ago. You couldn't get work in the Hollywood studios if these forces said no. You could get the top jobs if the same element said yes. They manipulated the film capital, and they controlled much of the business, through fear of consequences by any who would oppose them.

The present Vice-President of the United States won his spurs fighting communism on this front, and he was elected by a grateful public who saw and appreciated the job that he was doing. You can inspect almost any names in the news, in the field of theatre arts, and draw a conclusion as to loyalty, and a measure of their honesty of purpose as real people of the theatre, by their attitude towards the red curtain.

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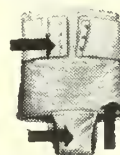
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Specialist

A famous author wanted a maid. The agency sent out a girl newly arrived from Finland. He asked her if she could cook. She said, "No." Scrub floors? "No." Wait on table? "No."

"Well then, what can you do?"

Her face lit up, "I can milk reindeer."

CARL ELLSTAM



'Just leave those long ones to me, partner!'

Relatively Speaking

*I get along fine,
Though I don't like to boast,
With my husband's redoubtable mother.
And why is this so?
She lives on one coast,
And I, lucky girl, on the other.*

MARIAN P. FICKES

Warning

*Waiting for your ship to come in is a
good way of missing the boat.*

MONT HURST

Try This One

A highway patrolman who had heard all the excuses and alibis several times over was inclined to give a break to traffic violators who came up with a new excuse.

Recently, he flagged down a speeding car whose operator turned out to be a grim-visaged woman. Looking reproachfully at her captor, she demanded, "Does your wife know you're out chasing other women?"

The patrolman, a happily married man with three children, gulped and pocketed his summons book. The offending motorist



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PARTING SHOTS

gave him a superior mother-in-law glance and calmly took off down the road.

MELVIN BENDER

Matter Of Taste

*Said Sue: "So long, girls,
Pick the cherries—
I'm going after
Boys 'n berries."*

MARK MORROW

Rules Of Evidence

A woman from the hill country appeared before the local judge, complaining that her husband had made a murderous attack on her with a large pair of shears.

"Jedge," she bellowed, "that man rushed at me with those scissors and he cut and slashed my face to ribbons."

The judge looked at her face, on which appeared not the slightest mark of conflict. "When did you say this happened?" he inquired.

"Only last night, Jedge," was the reply. "Only last night?" asked the puzzled

judge. "But I don't see any marks on your face."

"Marks!" roared the woman. "What the devil do I care about marks. I've got witnesses!"

DAN BENNETT

No More Birthdays

A woman stops telling her age when her age starts telling on her.

F. G. KERNAN

Firsts

When he got home and found his usually calm young wife verging on hysteria he put his arms around her and tried to find out the trouble. "Oh," she sobbed, "I never want to live through another day like this! First, the baby took his first step. Then he fell down and knocked out that first tooth of his!"

"Well, honey," he soothed her, "it's too bad, but he'll grow another one. Is that all that happened?"

She shook her head and eyed him accusingly. "After he fell down he also said his first word!"

MARY ALKUS

Alihi

*I have a lovely garden;
It really is sublime;
It would be even better
Had my wife more time.*

KENNETH D. LOSS

Manners

A lady pounced upon a grocer and said, "Give me a pound of cat food, quick." Then, taking notice of the fact that another customer was being waited upon, she declared, "I hope you don't mind my getting waited on ahead of you."

"Oh no," said the other lady. "Not if you're *that* hungry."

HAROLD HELFER

Rule Of The Road

*He who hesitates hears
horns behind him.*

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"Well, make room for it!"



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